



## EFFECTIVE PERIOD OF REGULATIONS

These regulations are effective from approximately mid-April 1987 through about mid-April 1988, when the next set of amendments will take effect. For exact effective dates, contact a local representative of the Department of Fish and Game, or contact the Division of Boards, P.O. Box 3-2000, Juneau, Alaska, 99802, telephone (907) 465-4110.

## LICENSE FEES

Licenses may be purchased from any Alaska Department of Revenue Field Office, or from Department of Revenue license agents (most sporting good stores) throughout the state, or by mail from the Department of Revenue, Fish and Game Licensing, 1111 W. 8th St., Room 108, Juneau, AK 99801, telephone (907) 465-2376.

### RESIDENT LICENSE (resident means 12 consecutive months residency)

Res. sport fishing license.....	\$10
Res. sport fishing license for the blind.....	25¢
Res. hunting and sport fishing license.....	\$22
Res. hunting, trapping, and sport fishing license.....	\$32

However, the fee is 25 cents for the head of a family or a dependent member of his family or one solely dependent upon himself for support upon proof presented by the applicant that the applicant:

- (A) is obtaining or has obtained assistance during the preceding six months under any state or federal welfare program to aid the indigent, or
- (B) has an annual family gross income of less than \$5,600 for the year preceding application.

### NONRESIDENT LICENSE

Nonres. 14-day sport fishing license.....	\$20
Nonres. 3-day sport fishing license.....	\$10
Nonres. annual sport fishing license.....	\$36
Nonres. annual hunting and sport fishing license....	\$96

### MILITARY LICENSE (on active duty, permanently stationed in Alaska)

Military sport fishing license.....	\$10
Military sport fishing and small game hunting license.	\$22
A qualified resident disabled veteran may receive a free sport fishing and hunting license annually after completing an application available from the Department of Revenue.	

## IN-SEASON CHANGES TO REGULATIONS

Some of the regulations appearing in this booklet may be changed by the Alaska Board of Fisheries during its regular meetings, or may be changed by emergency regulation by emergency order at any time. **Supplementary regulations in this booklet will be available from the Department of Fish and Game.**

# 1987 ALASKA SPORT FISHING REGULATIONS SUMMARY

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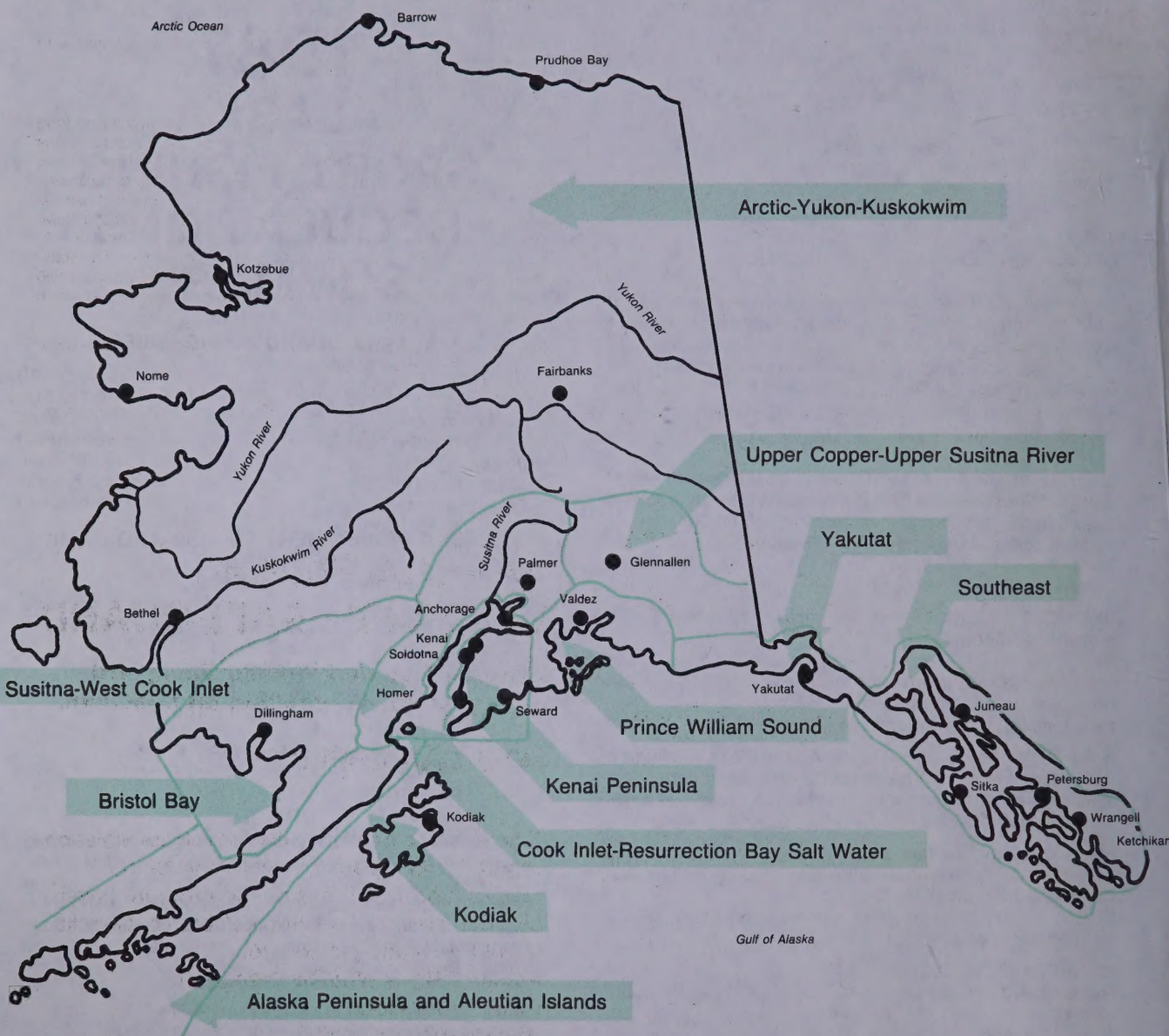
This summary of regulations is not complete, nor quoted verbatim from State law. It is an informative abstract of 5 AAC 42-5 AAC 75, simplified for your convenience. For further details, or to inspect a copy of the official codified sport fishing regulations, consult your local Department of Fish and Game representative or Department of Public Safety, Fish and Wildlife Protection Division offices in:

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Homer (235-8191)	Sitka (747-5355)
Juneau (465-4270)	Soldotna (262-9368)
Ketchikan (225-2859)	Tok (883-2971)
King Salmon (246-3340)	Wrangell (874-3822)
	Yakutat (784-3291)

**Emergency changes in regulations have been implemented for lake trout, burbot and grayling. Contact local offices before taking of these species.**



# MAP OF ALASKA



## HOW TO USE THIS BOOKLET

1. Read the Statewide Provisions (pages 3-5). This section summarizes general requirements, methods and means, and restrictions that apply statewide.
2. Use the map above to determine the area you will be fishing.
3. Turn to the Area (pages 6-28) and follow the Area instructions. Regulations for each Area are presented in a tabular format showing waters, seasons and catch limits, and special regulations. Codes are used for open seasons and catch limits.
4. To translate the codes use the Code Key shown in green.



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## SUBSISTENCE FISHING REGULATIONS

Subsistence fishing regulations are published separately. Copies are available at offices of the Department of Fish and Game.

### SHELLFISH FISHING REGULATIONS

Shellfish fishing (including clam digging) regulations for each area are published separately. Copies are available at offices of the Department of Fish and Game

## LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

A sport fishing license is required annually (each calendar year) and must be in the possession of all persons 16 years of age or older (see following special exemption) while sport fishing, personal use fishing, and digging razor clams.

A resident who is 60 years of age or more and has been a resident for one year or more, as long as he remains a resident, does not need a sport fishing license. A special permanent identification card is distributed by the Alaska Department of Revenue, Fish and Game Licensing Section. Applications for this card are available from license agents or Fish and Game field offices.

No person may alter, loan, or transfer to any other person any license issued to him; no person may use any license issued to another person.

A lost license may be replaced for \$2.00 through local license vendors.

Additional licensing requirements exist for personal use fisheries. Personal use fishing information is available at offices of the Department of Fish and Game.

## REGULATIONS SUMMARY

This is a summary of the official regulations codified in 5 AAC 75.001 through 5 AAC 75.995 which are available for inspection at libraries, department offices, and Department of Public Safety offices throughout the state.

## LIABILITY FOR VIOLATIONS

Unless otherwise provided by regulation or statute, a person who violates a provision of these regulations is strictly liable for the offense, regardless of that person's intent.

## POSSESSION OF LICENSES, STAMPS AND HARVEST RECORD

All persons engaged in sport fishing or in possession of fish must show their sport fishing licenses, harvest records and special per-

# STATEWIDE PROVISIONS

mits or stamps to any local representative of the department or to any peace officer of the state upon his request.

## POSSESSION OF SPORT CAUGHT FISH

(a) Sport-caught fish, their parts, and articles manufactured from such fish may be possessed within the state by any person at any time, and may be transported within and exported out of the state by any person at any time except that no person may possess any unpreserved fish, or part of one, not legally taken by himself, unless he furnishes, upon request of any peace officer of the state, a statement signed by the person taking the fish stating the type of fish, number of fish, location, date taken, and license number. The statement is unnecessary if the person possessing the fish is accompanied by the person who took the fish. No person may possess fish which were not legally taken.

(b) A person may possess only the limit of fish allowed for the water on which that person is fishing.

## SALE OF SPORT-CAUGHT FISH UNLAWFUL

No person may buy, sell, or barter sport-caught fish or their parts.

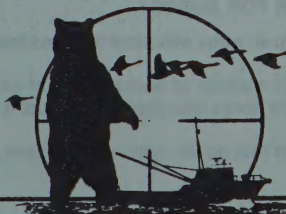
# ALASKA FISH & WILDLIFE SAFEGUARD

Alaska's Fish and Wildlife Safeguard pays cash for information on poachers.

## HOW CAN I HELP?

If you see or hear of a fish or wildlife violation, report it. Also, you can contribute to the reward fund which makes the program possible. *Contributions are tax deductible.* Checks should be made payable to:  
**Alaska Fish & Wildlife Safeguard**  
**5700 Tudor Road**  
**Anchorage, AK 99507**

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# STATEWIDE PROVISIONS

## METHODS AND MEANS

### SPORT FISHING GEAR

Unless otherwise provided in the regulations, sport fishing may only be conducted by the use of a single line having attached to it not more than one plug, spoon, spinner, or series of spinners, or two flies, or two hooks. The line must be closely attended.

### ICE FISHING GEAR

Sport fishing through the ice is permitted with the use of two lines, provided only one hook or artificial lure is used on each line.

### FRESH WATER SPORT FISHING

- (a) Fish may not be taken in freshwater by means of:
  - (1) fixed or weighted hooks and lures (except those of standard manufacture);
  - (2) multiple hooks with gap between point and shank larger than one-half inch, except as permitted in the Arctic-Yukon-Kuskokwim area;
  - (3) spear, unless permitted by the area regulations;
  - (4) arrow, unless permitted by the area regulations.
- (b) Live fish may not be used as bait when sport fishing in fresh water.
- (c) It is unlawful to intentionally snag or attempt to snag any fish in fresh water. Fish unintentionally hooked elsewhere than in the mouth must be released immediately. 'Snag' means hook a fish elsewhere than in the mouth.

### GEAR FOR SINGLE-HOOK WATERS

- (a) In waters designated as single-hook waters, sport fishing is permitted only as follows:
  - (1) with not more than one single hook with gap between point and shank one-half inch or less;
  - (2) hooks and lures (including those of standard manufacture) may not have additional weight attached to them; weights may be used only ahead of the hook or lure.
- (b) Multiple hooks are prohibited in waters designated as single-hook waters.

### GEAR FOR FLY-FISHING-ONLY WATERS

In waters designated as fly-fishing-only waters (portions of Russian River, Moose River, English Bay River, Robe River, and Gulkana River) sport fishing is permitted only as follows:

- (1) with not more than one unweighted, single-hook fly with gap between point and shank three-eighths inch or less;
- (2) weights may be used 18 inches or more ahead of the fly.

### USE OF EXPLOSIVES OR TOXICANTS

The use of any explosive or toxicant for taking fish in the waters of Alaska is prohibited.

### USE OF UNDERWATER SPEAR

In salt water, spears may be used to take fish, subject to applicable seasons and bag limits, by persons who are completely submerged.

### SPORT FISHING GEAR FOR HERRING AND SMELT

In salt water, herring and smelt may be taken with the use of 15 or less unbaited single or multiple hooks attached to a single line.

### SPORT FISHING GEAR FOR BURBOT

Burbot may be taken in fresh water with more than one line and hook, provided:

- (1) the total aggregate number of hooks does not exceed 15;
- (2) the hooks are single hooks with gap between point and shank larger than  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch;
- (3) each hook is set to rest on the bottom of the lake or stream;

- (4) each line is identified with the angler's name and address;
- (5) each line is physically inspected at least once during each 24-hour period.

### SPORT FISHING GEAR FOR NORTHERN PIKE

Unless otherwise provided by the area regulations, northern pike may be taken by spear.

## CLOSED WATERS AND PROHIBITED ACTS

### WATERS CLOSED TO SPORT FISHING

- (a) The waters within 300 feet of a fish weir or fish ladder are closed to sport fishing, unless a lesser distance is indicated by department markers.
- (b) It is unlawful to cast, drift, or place by any means a hook, bait, lure, or fly into waters closed to sport fishing.

### POSSESSION OR MARKING OF LIVE FISH OR LIVE FISH EGGS

It is unlawful to possess, transport, and release live fish or live fish eggs or in any way mark any live fish prior to release, except in accordance with the terms of a permit that may be issued by the commissioner under 5 AAC 41 or AS 16.05.930(a).

### MOLESTING OF FISH

Molesting or impeding spawning or the natural movement of fish contrary to the lawful methods and means of sport fishing is prohibited.

### WASTING OF FISH

Except for whitefish and suckers, the intentional waste or destruction of any species of sport-caught fish for which bag limits, seasons or other regulatory methods and means are provided, is prohibited, except that the head, tail, fins and viscera of legally taken sport fish may be used for bait or other purposes.

### POSSESSION OF SPORT-CAUGHT HALIBUT

No person may possess sport-caught halibut aboard a vessel when other fish or shellfish aboard the vessel are destined for sale, trade, or barter.

### RESPONSIBILITY OF A GUIDE

- (a) No guide may assist any client in any manner in an action that is contrary to Alaska sport fishing regulations.
- (b) For the purpose of this section "guide" means a person who assists another person to take fish with the intent of receiving monetary or material remuneration for services, by accompanying and directing that person personally for the duration, or any portion, of a fishing trip, and not solely for the purpose of providing transportation services.

## DEFINITIONS

The following are in addition to the definitions set forth in AS 16.05.940.

(1) **ARTIFICIAL FLY** means a fly which is constructed by common methods known as fly tying, including a dry fly, wet fly, and nymph.

(2) **ARTIFICIAL FLY (UNWEIGHTED)** means a fly which weighs less than one-fourth ounce in its entirety.



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(3) **ARTIFICIAL LURE** means any lure which is man-made and used to attract fish for the purpose of taking them, and includes artificial flies, but does not include salmon eggs or other chemically treated or processed foods.

(4) **BAG LIMIT** means the maximum legal take per person per day, in the area in which he is fishing, even though part or all of the fish are immediately preserved; a fish when landed and killed becomes a part of the bag limit of the person originally hooking it.

(5) **CHAR** means all char including Dolly Varden, Arctic char, Mackinaw or lake trout, and eastern brook trout.

(6) **CHARTER VESSEL** means a vessel licensed under AS 16.05.490, used for hire in the recreational or subsistence taking of fish or shellfish in saltwater, and not used on the same day for any other commercial fishing purpose; a charter vessel does not include a dry rental, or a vessel or skiff without a charter vessel operator.

(7) **CLOSED SEASON** means the time during which fish may not be taken.

(8) **CLOSED WATERS** means waters designated by the board wherein it is illegal to take fish.

(9) **DRAINAGE** means all of the waters comprising a watershed including tributary rivers, streams, sloughs, ponds, and lakes which contribute to the water supply of the watershed.

(10) **FRESH WATER** means all inland waters; inland waters are separated from salt water at the mouths of creeks, streams and rivers at a line between extremities of the latter's banks at a mean low tide or at a point to be determined and adequately marked by the department.

(11) **GRAYLING** means Arctic grayling.

(12) **LENGTH OF FISH** means the length from the tip of the snout to the tip of the tail (total length).

(13) **LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPARTMENT** means:  
(a) the nearest or most accessible professional employee of the department;

(b) a person designated by the commissioner or by a professional employee of the department to perform specific functions for the department; or

(c) a law enforcement officer of the Department of Public Safety;

(14) **MARK or MARKING** means all forms of skin alterations, fin clipping or other mutilation, or insertion of foreign materials in live fish that permit later identification.

(15) **MOLESTING** means the harassing, disturbing, or interfering with fish by any means including the use of any missile or object, not established as legal gear, that is thrown or projected into the water.

(16) **MULTIPLE HOOK** means a fish hook with two or more points with or without barbs.

(17) **OPEN SEASON** means the time during which fish may lawfully be taken; each period of time prescribed as an open season shall be construed to begin at 12:01 a.m. on the first day and end at midnight of the last day thereof.

(18) **PEACE OFFICER OF THE STATE** means a person defined in AS 16.05.150.

(19) **PIKE** means northern pike.

(20) **POSSESSION LIMIT** means the maximum number of unpreserved fish a person may have in possession.

(21) **PRESERVED FISH** means fish prepared in such a manner, and in an existing state of preservation, as to be fit for human consumption after a 15-day period, and does not include fish temporarily stored in coolers that are 'iced' or that are lightly salted.

(22) **ROCKFISH** includes all fish of the genus *Sebastes*.

(23) **SALMON** means all salmon, including the five species of Pacific salmon.

(24) **SALT WATER** means all marine waters; marine waters are separated from fresh water at the mouths of streams, rivers, and creeks.

(25) **SINGLE HOOK** means a fish hook with only one point with or without a barb.

(26) **STREAM MOUTH** means the downstream point defined as a straight line running from the most downstream extremity on one streambank to the most downstream extremity on the other streambank, or a point defined and marked by the department.

(27) **TOXICANT** means any material or chemical that upon introduction to the waters of Alaska by direct or indirect means will kill, stun, or drive fish from their natural repose.

(28) **TRANSPORT** means ship, transport, carry, import, export or receive or deliver for shipment, transportation, carriage, or export.

(29) **TROUT** includes rainbow, steelhead, and cutthroat.

(30) **WATERS OF ALASKA** has the same meaning as set forth in 5AAC 39.975(13).

(31) **YEAR** means the calendar year from January 1 through December 31.

(32) **AREA** means a regulatory management area (Southeast Alaska area, Kenai Peninsula area, Bristol Bay area, etc.).

(33) **CHARTER VESSEL OPERATOR** means a person engaged in carrying passengers on a charter vessel whenever any valuable consideration passes directly or indirectly to the vessel's owner, operator, or a person with a financial interest in the vessel, in consideration of the carriage of any person on board.



# SOUTHEAST ALASKA AREA

This is a summary of the official regulations codified in 5 AAC 46.001-060 which are available for inspection at libraries, department offices, and Department of Public Safety offices throughout the state.

The Southeast Alaska area consists of all waters of Alaska, including drainages, east of the longitude of Cape Fairweather (137°56'45" W. long.).

## INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Find the water (alphabetically listed) that you intend to fish. If the water, or any portion of it, is not listed, the regulations in the shaded entry apply.
2. Use the Code Key to determine open season, catch, and length limits. Read Special Regulations.
3. An asterisk(\*) denotes Special Regulations apply.



## SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT

### WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS

	KING SALMON	OTHER SALMON	TROUT/ STEELHEAD	DOLLY VARDEN	HALIBUT	OTHER SALMON
<b>All Fresh Waters</b> not listed below	Closed	1C	1E	1F		1J
<b>All Salt Waters</b> not listed below	1A	1C	1E	1F	2H	1J
<b>Auke Bay</b> , east of line from the mouth of Waydelich (Wadleigh) Creek to a department marker located ¼ mile south of the mouth of Auke Creek <b>Special Regulations:</b> *Closed to red salmon fishing.	6A	*1C	1E	5G	2H	1J
<b>Auke Creek</b> , below Glacier Highway	C	L	O	S	E	D
<b>Auke Lake</b> , its tributaries and the outlet stream downstream to Glacier Highway <b>Special Regulations:</b> *Closed to red salmon fishing. Only two coho salmon 16 inches or more daily and in possession.	Closed	*1C	1E	Closed		1J
<b>Auke Nu Creek</b>	Closed	Closed	1E	1G		1J
<b>Behm Canal</b> and contiguous bays enclosed by a line from Point Eva to Cactus Point, a line from Point Lees to Elsie Point, and a line between markers placed at the longitude of the outlet of Long Lake	Closed	Closed	1E	1F	2H	1J
<b>Behm Canal</b> between a line from Point Sykes to Point Alava and a line from Point Eva to Cactus Point	4A	4C	1E	1F	2H	1J
<b>Bear Creek</b> (Douglas)	C	L	O	S	E	D
<b>Blind Slough</b> downstream from department markers located above the rapids upstream from department markers located above the rapids <b>Special Regulations:</b> Blind Slough between a line from Anchor Point to Blind Point and the department markers above the rapids, is a single-hook water.	1A,1B Closed	1C Closed	1E 1E	1F 1F	2H	1J 1J
<b>Blind Slough tributaries</b>	Closed	Closed	1E	1F		1J
<b>Carlanna Creek</b> (Ketchikan)	C	L	O	S	E	D
<b>Chilkoot Lake</b> inlet streams	Closed	Closed	1E	1F		1J
<b>Chilkoot River and Lake</b> <b>Special Regulations:</b> *Only 2 coho salmon 16 inches or more, daily and in possession. The possession limit for all other salmon is one daily bag limit.	Closed	1C*	1E	1F		1J
<b>Duck Creek</b> (Juneau)	C	L	O	S	E	D
<b>Eagle River</b> beach from the Boy Scout Camp north to a department marker on the mainland shore at the latitude of Sentinel Island light, to a distance ¼ mile offshore	1A	1C	1E	5G	2H	1J
<b>Grey's Pass</b> all waters enclosed by a line from Babbler Point to Point Highfield to a department marker located at the eastern entrance of Blind Slough, to the mouth of Jap Creek on the mainland shore	6A	6C	1E	1F	2H	1J
<b>Herring Cove basin</b> (Ketchikan) inside department markers	Closed	3D	3E	3F	3H	3J
<b>Herring Cove Creek</b> (Ketchikan): upstream from the highway downstream from the highway	C Closed	L 3D	O 3E	S 3F	E 3H	D 3J



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## SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT

### WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS

	KING SALMON	OTHER SALMON	TROUT/ STEELHEAD	DOLLY VARDEN	HALIBUT	OTHER FISH
<b>Indian River (Sitka)</b>	Closed	Closed	1E	1F		1J
<b>Jordan Creek</b>	C	L	O	S	E	D
<b>Juneau road system</b> all drainages crossed by the Juneau City and Borough road system, not otherwise specified on this list <b>Special Regulations:</b> *Only 2 coho salmon 16 inches or more and only 2 red salmon daily and in possession.	Closed	1C*	1E	1G		1J
<b>Ketchikan Creek</b>	Closed	8D	8E	8F		8J
<b>Ketchikan road system</b> all drainages crossed by the Ketchikan City and Borough road system, not otherwise specified on this list	Closed	1D	1E	1F		1J
<b>Klawock Harbor</b> , the area between the Klawock River bridge and a line from the Klawock Blinker Light to the Klawock Oil Dock. <b>Special Regulations:</b> *Closed to red salmon fishing. This area is also closed to snagging. Fish hooked elsewhere than in the mouth must be released immediately.	1A	*1C	1E	1F	2H	1J
<b>Klawock River</b> drainage upstream from the Klawock River bridge <b>Special Regulations:</b> *Closed to red salmon fishing. The Klawock River bridge is closed to all fishing.	Closed	*1C	1E	1F		1J
<b>Kowee Creek (Douglas Island)</b>	Closed	Closed	1E	1G		1J

**CODE KEY: SOUTHEAST ALASKA AREA** Use these codes to determine open season, catch and length limits.

CODE	OPEN SEASON	CODE	OPEN SEASON
1	Entire Year	5	June 1 through March 31
2	February 1 through December 31	6	June 15 through April 15
3	August 10 through December 31	7	December 1 through September 14
4	August 15 through April 30	8	September 15 through May 15
		9	November 16 through June 14

CODE	BAG, POSSESSION, AND SIZE LIMITS
A KING SALMON	2 per day, 2 in possession, 28-inch minimum size
B KING SALMON	Less than 28 inches: 2 per day, 2 in possession
C OTHER SALMON	16 inches or more: 6 per day for each species, 12 each in possession Less than 16 inches: 10 per day in the aggregate, 10 in possession
D OTHER SALMON	16 inches or more: 2 per day in the aggregate, 2 in possession Less than 16 inches: 10 per day in the aggregate, 10 in possession
E RAINBOW TROUT CUTTHROAT TROUT, & STEELHEAD, IN COMBINATION	5 per day, 10 in possession, Only 1 daily and 2 in possession over 16 inches. However, the bag limit for steelhead is two fish over 16 inches if at least one fish has a clipped adipose fin, as evidenced by a healed scar.
F DOLLY VARDEN	10 per day, 10 in possession, no size limit
G DOLLY VARDEN	2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit
H HALIBUT	2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit
J OTHER FISH BROOK TROUT GRAYLING OTHER	10 per day, 10 in possession, no size limit 10 per day, 10 in possession, no size limit No bag, possession or size limit

**NOTICE:** King salmon less than 28 inches with a tag attached or with a clipped adipose fin, as evidenced by a healed scar, may be retained regardless of length. These marked sublegal fish are not part of the angler's bag and possession limit. Other king salmon less than 28 inches in length must be immediately returned to the water.

Tags and heads of all adipose fin clipped king salmon and steelhead, regardless of length, must be submitted to the department, along with the date and location of the taking.



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WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS	SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT					
	KING SALMON	OTHER SALMON	TROUT/ STEELHEAD	DOLLY VARDEN	HALIBUT	OTHER FISH
<b>Mahoney Creek</b>	Closed	Closed	1E	1F		1J
<b>Mendenhall Lake</b> Special Regulations: *Only 2 coho salmon 16 inches or more and only 2 red salmon daily and in possession.	Closed	1C*	1E	Closed		1J
<b>Mitchell Bay</b> (Salt Lake, Admiralty Island) Special Regulations: *Only 6 coho salmon 16 inches or more in possession.	1A	1C*	1E	1F	2H	1J
<b>Montana Creek</b> (Juneau) including McGinnis Creek Special Regulations: Only unbaited artificial lures may be used. *Only 2 coho salmon 16 inches or more daily and in possession.	Closed	1C*	1E	1G		1J
<b>Neets Bay</b> east of a line between ADF&G regulatory markers located approximately one mile from the head of the bay.	9A	9C	1E	1F	2H	1J
<b>Ohmer Creek</b> upstream from the highway bridge downstream from the highway bridge Special Regulations: Ohmer Creek downstream from the highway bridge is a single-hook water.	Closed 1A,1B	Closed 1C	1E 1E	1F 1F		1J 1J
<b>Pullen Creek</b> (Skagway) above second Avenue	Closed	7C	7E	7F		7J
<b>Reflection Lake</b>	Closed	1D	1E	1F		1J
<b>Sheep Creek</b> (Juneau)	Closed	Closed	1E	1G		1J
<b>Sitkoh River</b> Special Regulations: *Only 1 steelhead daily and in possession.	Closed	1C	1E*	1F		1J
<b>Starrigavin Creek</b>	Closed	Closed	1E	1F		1J
<b>Steep Creek</b> (Juneau)	C	L	O	S	E	D
<b>Stephens Passage, Taku Inlet, Gastineau Channel, Young Bay, Auke Bay, and</b> contiguous waters north of the latitude of the southern entrance to Limestone Inlet and south of a line from Point Louisa to Piling Point Special Regulations: *Exception: see Auke Bay Dolly Varden bag limit.	6A	1C	1E	1F*	2H	1J
<b>Switzer Creek</b>	C	L	O	S	E	D
<b>Thomas Basin</b> seaward of a line between department markers Special Regulations: Thomas Basin is a single-hook water.	1A	1C	1E	1F	2H	1J
<b>Vanderbilt Creek</b>	C	L	O	S	E	D
<b>Waydelich Creek</b> (Wadleigh Creek)	Closed	Closed	1E	1G		1J

## OTHER SOUTHEAST ALASKA REGULATIONS

**SPORT FISHING FROM COMMERCIALY LICENSED VESSELS.** (a) No person may sport fish from a registered salmon hand troll or power troll vessel, as those vessels are identified by the marking requirements of 5 AAC 39.119, except that this prohibition does not apply:

- (1) to charter vessels;
  - (2) in derby zones during derbies authorized by the department; or
  - (3) to sport fishing for bottomfish and halibut; no halibut may be on board the vessel, if there are salmon on board.
- (b) The operator of a charter vessel shall register that vessel annually with the department before the vessel is used for sport fishing. The following information must be provided at the time of registration with the department:
- (1) the name of the individual or company owning the charter service;
  - (2) the permanent residence address, and mailing address, of the owner or company;
  - (3) the permanent vessel license plate number (ADF&G number) for the vessel;
  - (4) the number of the current Alaska Business License of the company or individual owning the charter service; and
  - (5) the number of the U.S. Coast Guard license to carry passengers for hire issued to the operator of the vessel.
- (c) Each person who sport fishes from a vessel licensed for commercial fishing, including a charter vessel, in waters closed to commercial salmon fishing shall, immediately upon boating, mark each salmon by removing its dorsal (large back) fin.
- (d) Sport fishing is illegal in waters closed to commercial fishing while commercially-caught troll salmon are in possession.

**METHODS AND MEANS.** Not more than six lines may be fished from any charter vessel.



## HOW TO UNHOOK UNDERSIZED SALMON

Because salmon of all sizes share the same feed, anglers frequently catch undersized fish. At present, the mortality rate for salmon played and released at sea is high and this seriously depletes fish stocks, unless a few simple rules can be followed:

- 1) Reduce scale loss:** Avoid touching the fish or letting it come in contact with a net or the boat especially if you know the fish is undersize. The sea scales on immature salmon are loosely attached. Removal of scales causes dehydration of the fish, and 25 percent scale loss can prove fatal.
- 2) Use a Hook Releaser.** Some form of hook releaser is helpful to free lightly hooked salmon without touching the fish. Some anglers use long-nose pliers as a hook releaser. Don't gaff the fish
- 3) Sacrifice Your Hook.** At times it is best to cut the hook to avoid severely wounding the fish. A hook that is swallowed, gill-caught or eye-caught is often best left in the fish. Unless the hook is stainless steel, it will soon rust away, with little harm to the fish.
- 4) Revive your tired fish before release.** Unless a fish is active enough to dart away upon being unhooked, it should be held gently in wet hands and moved to and fro, swishing water through the gills. Gently hold the fish until it is conscious and can swim off.

## MARKED FISH RECOVERY PROGRAM

- 1) The Department of Fish and Game wants the heads of all sport caught chinook, coho, or steelhead missing their adipose fin—the small fleshy fin on the salmonid's back, just in front of its tail.**
- 2) Cut off the fish's head and bring the head to any Department of Fish and Game office.**
- 3) These fin-clipped fish carry a coded-wire tag in their heads which holds a key to essential information about Alaska salmonids. The microscopic tag is implanted in the nose cartilage of both hatchery and wild stocks. Hatchery fish are tagged one to three months prior to their release, whereas wild salmonids are captured and tagged in their natural rivers during rearing or downstream migration. The adipose fin is clipped at the time to serve as a visual identifying mark. Over 20 million salmonids are marked by the United States and Canada each year.**
- 4) Information derived from coded wire tag studies provides an understanding of the many aspects of salmonid biology. When combined with catch information provided by sport fishermen, it is possible to establish general migratory habits and basic biology of west coast salmonids, stock strength, and stock contribution by various systems, and the relative success of various enhancement strategies such as hatchery diets and release timing. In more specific terms, this knowledge helps produce larger and stronger salmonid stocks.**

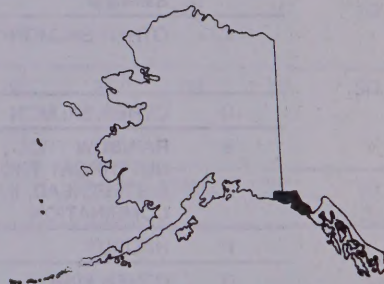
## YAKUTAT AREA

This is a summary of the official regulations codified in 5 AAC 49.001-060 which are available for inspection at libraries, department offices, and Department of Public Safety offices throughout the state.

The Yakutat area consists of all waters of Alaska, including drainages, between of the longitude of Cape Suckling (143°53' W. long.) and the longitude of Cape Fairweather (137°56'45" W. long.).

### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Find the water (alphabetically listed) that you intend to fish. If the water, or any portion of it, is not listed, the regulations in the shaded entry apply.
2. Use the Code Key to determine open season, catch, and length limits. Read Special Regulations.



### SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT

### WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS

**All waters** not crossed by the Yakutat Road system

**Lost River drainage:**

upstream from Lost River bridge

downstream from Lost River bridge

**Special Regulations:** Use of fish eggs for bait is prohibited from August 15 through October 31.

**Situk River drainage:**

from mouth to old railroad bridge

from old railroad bridge to U.S. Forest Service middle cabin:

upstream from U.S. Forest Service middle cabin:

**Special Regulations:** Use of fish eggs for bait is prohibited from August 15 through October 31.

**Tawah Creek (tributary to Lost River):**

**Special Regulations:** Use of fish eggs for bait is prohibited from August 15 through October 31. Closed to fishing within 50 yards of the R.E.L. bridge.

	KING SALMON	OTHER SALMON	TROUT/ STEELHEAD	HALIBUT	OTHER FISH
All waters not crossed by the Yakutat Road system	1A	1B,D	1E	2F	1G
Lost River drainage:					
upstream from Lost River bridge	4A	4C,D	4E		4G
downstream from Lost River bridge	1A	1C,D	1E		1G
Situk River drainage:					
from mouth to old railroad bridge	5A	5C,D	5E		5G
from old railroad bridge to U.S. Forest Service middle cabin:	1A	1C,D	1E		1G
upstream from U.S. Forest Service middle cabin:	3A	1C,D	1E		1G
Tawah Creek (tributary to Lost River):	1A	1C,D	1E		1G



# YAKUTAT AREA

## SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT

### WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS

**Yakutat road system**, all drainages crossed by the Yakutat road system, including Ankau Lagoon, not otherwise specified on this list

**Special Regulations:** Use of fish eggs for bait is prohibited from August 15 through October 31.

KING SALMON  
OTHER SALMON  
TROUT/ STEELHEAD  
HALIBUT  
OTHER FISH

1A 1C,D 1E 1G

**CODE KEY: YAKUTAT AREA** Use these codes to determine open season, catch and length limits.

CODE	OPEN SEASON	CODE	OPEN SEASON
1	Entire Year	3	September 1 through June 30
2	February 1 through December 31	4	January 1 through August 14
		5	October 15 through June 14

CODE	BAG, POSSESSION, AND SIZE LIMITS
A KING SALMON Freshwater	Less than 16 inches: 10 per day, 10 in possession 16 inches or more: 1 per day, 1 in possession 2 per day, 2 in possession, 28-inch minimum size
Saltwater	
B OTHER SALMON Freshwater	COHO: 16 inches or more: 4 per day, 4 in possession CHUM, PINK, RED: 16 inches or more: 6 per day for each species, 12 each in possession
Saltwater	16 inches or more: 6 per day for each species, 12 each in possession
C OTHER SALMON	COHO: 16 inches or more: 2 per day, 2 in possession CHUM, PINK, RED: 16 inches or more: 6 per day for each species, 12 each in possession
D OTHER SALMON	Less than 16 inches; 10 per day, 10 in possession
E RAINBOW TROUT CUTTHROAT TROUT, & STEELHEAD, IN COMBINATION	5 per day, 10 in possession, only 1 per day and 2 in possession over 16 inches
F HALIBUT	2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit
G OTHER FISH DOLLY VARDEN OTHER	10 per day, 10 in possession, no size limit No bag, possession or size limits

**NOTICE:** King salmon less than 28 inches with a tag attached or with a clipped adipose fin, as evidenced by a healed scar, may be retained regardless of length. These marked sublegal fish are not part of the angler's bag and possession limit. Other king salmon less than 28 inches in length must be immediately returned to the water.

Tags and heads of all adipose fin clipped king salmon, regardless of length, must be submitted to the department, along with the date and location of taking.

### OTHER YAKUTAT REGULATIONS

**SPORT FISHING FROM COMMERCIALY LICENSED VESSELS.** (a) No person may sport fish from a registered salmon hand troll or power troll vessel, as those vessels are identified by the marking requirements of 5 AAC 39.119, except that this prohibition does not apply:

- (1) to charter vessels;
  - (2) in derby zones during derbies authorized by the department; or
  - (3) to sport fishing for bottomfish and halibut; no halibut may be on board the vessel if there are salmon on board.
- (b) The operator of a charter vessel shall register that vessel annually with the department before the vessel is used for sport fishing. The following information must be provided at the time of registration with the department:
- (1) the name of the individual or company owning the charter service;
  - (2) the permanent residence address, and mailing address, of the owner or company;
  - (3) the permanent vessel license plate number (ADF&G number) for the vessel;
  - (4) the number of the current Alaska Business License of the company or individual owning the charter service;
  - (5) the number of the U.S. Coast Guard license to carry passengers for hire issued to the operator of the vessel.
- (c) Each person who sport fishes from a vessel licensed for commercial fishing, including a charter vessel, in waters closed to commercial salmon fishing shall, immediately upon boating, mark each salmon by removing its dorsal (large back) fin.
- (d) Sport fishing is illegal in waters closed to commercial fishing while commercially-caught troll salmon are in possession.

**METHODS AND MEANS.** Not more than six lines may be fished from any charter vessel.



# UPPER COPPER—UPPER SUSITNA RIVER AREA

This is a summary of the official regulations codified in 5 AAC 52.001-050 which are available for inspection at libraries, department offices, and Department of Public Safety offices throughout the state.

The Upper Copper River and Upper Susitna River area consists of all waters and drainages of the Copper River upstream from a line crossing the Copper River between the south bank of the mouth of Haley Creek and the south bank of the mouth of Canyon Creek in Wood's Canyon, and all waters and drainages of the Upper Susitna River upstream from the confluence of the Oshetna River.

## INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Find the water (alphabetically listed) that you intend to fish. If the water, or any portion of it, is not listed, the regulations in the shaded entry apply.
2. Use the Code Key to determine open season, catch, and length limits. Read Special Regulations.
3. An asterisk(\*) denotes Special Regulations apply.



## SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT

### WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS

	KING SALMON	OTHER SALMON	RAINBOW LAKE TROUT	OTHER FISH
<b>All waters not listed below</b> <b>Special Regulations:</b> *Burbot may be taken by setline October 15 through May 15. Whitefish may be taken by spear October 1 through March 31.	1A	1B	1C	*1D
<b>All waters north of the Denali Highway between Paxson and Cantwell, excluding the Gulkana River/Summit Lake drainage</b> <b>Special Regulations:</b> *Only 5 grayling daily and 10 in possession. No bag, possession, or size limit for burbot.	1A	1B	1C	*1D
<b>Bessie Creek (between Moose Lake and Tolsona Lake) including that portion of Tolsona Lake within 100 yards of the mouth of Bessie Creek</b> <b>Special Regulations:</b> *Burbot may be taken by setline October 15 through May 4. Whitefish may be taken by spear October 1 through March 31.	3A	3B	3C	*3D
<b>Fish Creek (tributary to Mentasta Lake)</b> <b>Special Regulations:</b> *Whitefish may be taken by spear October 1 through March 31.	Closed	Closed	1C	*1D

**CODE KEY: UPPER COPPER—SUSITNA RIVERS Use these codes to determine open season, catch and length limits.**

CODE	OPEN SEASON
1	Entire Year
2	January 1 through July 14
3	June 16 through May 4
4	January 1 through July 19

CODE	BAG, POSSESSION, AND SIZE LIMITS
A KING SALMON	20 inches or more: 1 per day, 1 in possession Less than 20 inches: 10 per day, 10 in possession
B OTHER SALMON	16 inches or more: 3 per day, 3 in possession Less than 16 inches: 10 per day, 10 in possession
C RAINBOW TROUT	10 per day, 10 in possession, only 2 over 20 inches
LAKE TROUT	20 inches or more: 2 per day, 2 in possession, Less than 20 inches: 10 per day, 10 in possession
D OTHER FISH	
GRAYLING	10 per day, 10 in possession, no size limit
BURBOT	15 per day, 15 in possession, no size limit
ARCTIC CHAR/ DOLLY VARDEN	10 per day, 10 in possession, no size limit
OTHER	No bag, possession or size limits



## UPPER COPPER—UPPER SUSITNA RIVER AREA

### SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT

#### WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS

	KING SALMON	OTHER SALMON	RAINBOW LAKE TROUT	OTHER FISH
<b>Gulkana River</b> , and its tributaries, including all lakes: upstream of the confluence of the Middle Fork downstream of the confluence of the Middle Fork to the Alyeska Pipeline Crossing near Sourdough downstream of the Alyeska Pipeline Crossing near Sourdough <b>Special Regulations:</b> *Burbot may be taken by setline October 15 through May 15. Whitefish may be taken by spear October 1 through March 31. The Gulkana River from the Richardson Highway Bridge downstream to the Department of Fish and Game marker 500 yards downstream of its confluence with the Copper River is a fly-fishing-only water from June 1 through July 31.	Closed 4A 1A	Closed 1B 1B	1C 1C 1C	*1D *1D *1D
<b>Klutina River</b> drainage upstream of the department marker located ¼ mile downstream of the confluence of Manker Creek <b>Special Regulations:</b> *Burbot may be taken by setline October 15 through May 15. Whitefish may be taken by spear October 1 through March 31.	2A	2B	1C	*1D
<b>Little Tonsina River</b> and waters within ¼ mile of its confluence with the Tonsina River <b>Special Regulations:</b> *Whitefish may be taken by spear October 1 through March 31.	Closed	1B	1C	*1D
<b>Mendeltna Creek</b> drainage and all waters within ¼ mile of its confluence with Tazlina Lake <b>Special Regulations:</b> *Whitefish may be taken by spear October 1 through March 31.	Closed	Closed	1C	*1D
<b>Our Creek</b> (tributary to Moose Lake) <b>Special Regulations:</b> *Whitefish may be taken by spear October 1 through March 31.	3A	3B	3C	*3D
<b>Siana River</b>	1A	1B	1C	1D
<b>Tolsona Lake</b> within 100 yards of the mouth of Bessie Creek <b>Special Regulations:</b> *Burbot may be taken by setline October 15 through May 4. Whitefish may be taken by spear October 1 through March 31.	3A	3B	3C	*3D
<b>Tonsina River</b> within ¼ mile of the confluence of Little Tonsina River <b>Special Regulations:</b> *Whitefish may be taken by spear October 1 through March 31.	Closed	1B	1C	*1D

#### OTHER UPPER COPPER — UPPER SUSITNA AREA REGULATIONS

**KING SALMON.** Each person who removes from the water a king salmon 20 inches or more in length, must retain that king salmon as part of that person's bag limit. No person may remove from the water a king salmon intended to be released.

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# PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND AREA

This is a summary of the official regulations codified in 5 AAC 55.001-050 which are available for inspection at libraries, department offices, and Department of Public Safety offices throughout the state.

The Prince William Sound area consists of all waters of the Gulf of Alaska and its drainages, west of the longitude of Cape Suckling (143°53' W. long.), and east of the longitude of Cape Puget (148°26'30" W. long.) excluding the Copper River drainage upstream of a line crossing the Copper River between the south bank of the confluence of Haley Creek and the south bank of the confluence of Canyon Creek in Wood's Canyon.



## INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Find the water (alphabetically listed) that you intend to fish. If the water, or any portion of it, is not listed, the regulations in the shaded entry apply.
2. Use the Code Key to determine open season, catch, and length limits. Read Special Regulations.
3. An asterisk (\*) denotes Special Regulations apply.

## SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT

## WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS

	SALMON	TROUT	HALIBUT	OTHER FISH
<b>All waters not listed below</b>	1A	1B	2C	1D
<b>Clear Creek</b> (Mile 42, Copper River Highway)	Closed	1B		1D
<b>Eccles Creek</b> (Hartney Bay Road)	Closed	1B		1D
<b>Eyak Lake</b> and all tributaries	Closed	1B		1D
<b>Eyak River</b> , from a point 200 yards upstream from the Eyak Lake water control structure to a point 200 yards downstream from the bridge at the outlet of Eyak Lake	3A	3B		3D
<b>Hartney Creek</b> upstream from the Hartney Bay Road	Closed	1B		1D
<b>Robe River</b> , downstream from the Richardson Highway <b>Special Regulations:</b> This is a fly-fishing-only water from May 15 through June 22. *Only one salmon of each species daily and in possession.	4*	1B		1D
<b>Valdez Bay</b> drainages: all fresh waters draining into Valdez Bay north and east of a line from Point Freemantle to Rocky Point <b>Special Regulations:</b> *See Robe River Exception	Closed*	1B		1D

**CODE KEY: PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND Use these codes to determine open season, catch and length limits.**

CODE	OPEN SEASON	CODE	OPEN SEASON
1	Entire Year	3	October 2 through May 31
2	February 1 through December 31	4	May 15 through June 22
CODE	BAG, POSSESSION, AND SIZE LIMITS		
A	SALMON	6 per day, 12 in possession, no size limit	
B	TROUT	5 per day, 10 in possession Only 1 per day and 2 in possession over 20 inches	
C	HALIBUT	2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit	
D	OTHER FISH	20 inches or more: 3 per day, 6 in possession Less than 20 inches: 15 per day, 30 in possession	
	CHAR	15 per day, 30 in possession, no size limit	
	GRAYLING	No bag, possession or size limits	
	OTHER		

## OTHER PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND REGULATIONS

**METHODS AND MEANS:** Eshamy Lagoon, inside department markers placed on the lagoon shore approximately 1/2 mile on either side of the ADF&G cabin, is closed to snagging until the department announces the escapement goal will be met.



# COOK INLET KING SALMON REGULATIONS SUMMARY

A non-transferable **HARVEST RECORD** is required and must be in the possession of all persons fishing for king salmon. A Harvest Record form appears on the back of the regular adult license. Non-licensed anglers (those under 16 years of age or those who are 60 years of age or more and have been a resident for one year) must have a free **Record Card** in possession.

Immediately upon landing a king salmon 16 inches or more in length the appropriate water and date must be recorded on the form or card in ink.

**KING SALMON LANDING REQUIREMENTS.** Each person who removes from the water a king salmon 16 inches or more in length must retain that king salmon as part of that person's bag limit. No person may remove from the water a king salmon intended to be released.

**YEARLY COMBINED COOK INLET KING SALMON LIMIT.** The yearly limit for the combined Kenai Peninsula area, the Cook Inlet-Resurrection Bay Salt Water area, and the Susitna-West Cook Inlet area is five king salmon, 16 inches or more in length, of which not more than two may be taken from that portion of the Kenai River drainage open to king salmon fishing.

## KENAI PENINSULA AREA (FRESHWATER)

**BAG AND POSSESSION LIMITS** are: one king salmon, 16 inches or more in length, and ten king salmon, less than 16 inches in length.

**SEASONS AND WATERS:** The following waters are open to king salmon fishing during dates listed:

a. **ANCHOR RIVER** below the junction of the North and South Forks during the Memorial Day weekend and the following three weekends and the Monday following each of those weekends.

b. **DEEP CREEK** in the lower two miles as posted during the Memorial Day weekend and the following three weekends and the Monday following each of those weekends.

c. **NINILCHIK RIVER** in the lower two miles as posted during the Memorial Day weekend and the following two weekends and the Monday following each of those weekends.

d. **KASILOF RIVER** upstream from the Sterling Highway bridge: January 1 through June 30; downstream from the Sterling Highway bridge: January 1 through July 31.

e. **KENAI RIVER** from its mouth upstream to Skilak Lake; January 1 through July 31. See page 16 for Special Regulations.

f. **MOOSE RIVER** from its confluence with the Kenai River upstream to the Sterling Highway bridge; January 1 through July 31. See page 17 for Special Regulations.

## COOK INLET-RESURRECTION BAY SALT WATER AREA

**BAG AND POSSESSION LIMITS** are: two king salmon, regardless of size.

**SEASONS AND WATERS:** No closed season except that the waters

within a one mile radius of the terminus of the Anchor River, Deep Creek, Ninilchik River, and Stariski Creek are only open to the taking of king salmon from July 1 through December 31. See page 19 for Special Regulations.

## SUSITNA-WEST COOK INLET AREA (FRESHWATER)

**SEASONS, WATERS AND LIMITS:** (a) The following are open to king salmon January 1 through July 6 with a limit of 1 fish daily and 2 in possession:

1. **LITTLE SUSITNA RIVER** from its mouth upstream to the Parks Highway Bridge at Houston.

**SEASONS, WATERS AND LIMITS:** (b) The following are open to king salmon January 1 through July 13 with a limit of 1 fish daily and 2 in possession.:

1. **TALKEETNA RIVER** drainage except that portion of Chuniilna (Clear) Creek upstream of a department marker placed two miles upstream from its mouth.

2. **SUSITNA RIVER** and its tributaries, excluding the Chulitna River drainage, from Talkeetna River upstream to Devil's Canyon.

**SEASONS, WATERS, AND LIMITS:** (c) The following are open to king salmon January 1 through July 13 with a limit of 2 fish daily and 4 in possession, only 1 daily and 2 in possession over 28 inches:

1. **All waters** draining into Cook Inlet between Cape Douglas and the Susitna River, excluding the Susitna River (See Three-Mile Creek and McNeil River closed areas).

2. **SUSITNA RIVER** and its tributaries downstream of the Deshka River.

3. **DESHKA RIVER** drainage from its mouth upstream to the forks (confluence of Moose Creek and Kroto Creek).

**SEASONS, WATERS AND LIMITS:** (d) The following are open to king salmon fishing on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday for four consecutive weeks commencing the second Saturday in June with a limit of 1 fish daily and 2 in possession.

1. **SUSITNA RIVER** upstream from its confluence with the Deshka River to its confluence with the Talkeetna River and including all flowing waters within a ¼ mile of the Susitna River excluding the Kashwitna River closed area.

2. **WILLOW, LITTLE WILLOW, CASWELL, GOOSE, SHEEP AND MONTANA CREEKS** from their mouths upstream to the Parks Highway and all waters within a ¼ mile radius of their confluences with the Susitna River.

**SEASONS, WATERS AND LIMITS:** (e) The following are open to king salmon fishing Tuesday and Wednesday only, for five consecutive weeks commencing the second Tuesday in June with a limit of 1 daily and 2 in possession.

1. **SHIP CREEK (ANCHORAGE)** downstream from a point 100 feet below the Chugach power plant dam.



# KENAI PENINSULA AREA

This is a summary of the official regulations codified in 5 AAC 56.001-050 which are available for inspection at libraries, department offices, and Department of Public Safety offices throughout the state.

The Kenai Peninsula area consists of all fresh water drainages of the Kenai Peninsula west of a line from Cape Puget (59°56'35" N. lat., 148°26'30" W. long.), to the south bank of the terminus of Portage Creek, excluding Portage Creek.

## INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Find the water (alphabetically listed) that you intend to fish. If the water, or any portion of it, is not listed, the regulations in the shaded entry apply.
2. Use the Code Key to determine open season, catch, and length limits. Read Special Regulations.
3. An asterisk(\*) denotes Special Regulations apply.



## SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT

## WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS

	KING SALMON 16 inches or more	OTHER SALMON 16 inches or more	RAINBOW/ STEELHEAD	SMALL SALMON/ OTHER SALMON
<b>All flowing waters</b> not listed below <b>Special Regulations:</b> Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 16 thru Dec. 31.	Closed	1B	1D	1E
<b>All lakes</b> not listed below:	Closed	1B	1C	1E
<b>Anchor River</b> and its tributaries: upstream from junction of North and South forks downstream from junction of North and South forks <b>Special Regulations:</b> Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 16 thru Dec. 31.	Closed 5A	Closed 5,8B	8D 5,8D	8E 5,8E
<b>Bishop Creek</b> drainage: all lakes and ponds remainder of drainage <b>Special Regulations:</b> In all flowing waters, only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 16 thru Dec. 31.	Closed Closed	1B Closed	1C 7D	1E 7E
<b>Crescent Lake</b> and its drainage: Crescent Lake remainder of drainage <b>Special Regulations:</b> 1) *Only two grayling daily and in possession. 2) In all flowing waters, only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 16 thru Dec. 31.	Closed Closed	Closed Closed	12C 12D	*12E *12E
<b>Crooked Creek</b> <b>Special Regulations:</b> Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 16 thru Dec. 31.	Closed	9B	9D	9E
<b>Deep Creek</b> and its tributaries: downstream from an ADF&G marker placed two miles upstream from the mouth remainder of drainage <b>Special Regulations:</b> Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 16 thru Dec. 31.	5A Closed	5,8B Closed	5,8D 8D	5,8E 8E
<b>English Bay River</b> drainage: upstream from the outlet of Lower English Bay Lake remainder of drainage <b>Special Regulations:</b> 1) English Bay River, from its mouth including the lagoon to lower English Bay Lake is a fly-fishing-only water from June 1 thru July 31. 2) In all flowing waters, only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 16 thru Dec. 31.	Closed Closed	Closed 1B	1D 1D	1E 1E
<b>Hidden Lake Creek</b> <b>Special Regulations:</b> Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 16 thru Dec. 31.	Closed	Closed	1D	1E
<b>Jean Lake Creek</b> <b>Special Regulations:</b> Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 16 thru Dec. 31.	Closed	Closed	1D	1E
<b>Kasilof River</b> drainage: upstream from the Sterling Highway bridge downstream from the Sterling Highway bridge <b>Special Regulations:</b> 1) In all flowing waters, only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 16 thru Dec. 31. 2) See also Crooked Creek, Tustumena Lake and Tustumena Lake tributaries.	2A 3A	1B 1B	1D 1D	1E 1E
<b>Kenai Lake, Tern Lake and Trail Lakes:</b>	Closed	Closed	1C	1E
<b>Kenai Lake, Tern Lakes and Trail Lake</b> tributaries: <b>Special Regulations:</b> In all flowing waters, only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 16 thru Dec. 31.	Closed	Closed	1D	1E



# KENAI PENINSULA AREA

## SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT

### WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS

#### Kenai River:

from its mouth to Skilak Lake

Skilak Lake

remainder of river

#### Special Regulations:

- 1) Salmon may be landed only with the aid of a landing net or by hand.
- 2) In the Kenai River upstream from Skilak Lake, only unbaited, artificial lures may be used. In Skilak Lake and in the Kenai River downstream from Skilak Lake to its confluence with the Moose River, only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Nov. 1 thru May 31. In the Kenai River downstream from its confluence with the Moose River, there is no restriction on the use of bait.
- 3) That portion of the Kenai River downstream from the outlet of Skilak Lake is closed to fishing from boats each Monday in May, June, and July, except Memorial Day.
- 4) Within a 100 yard radius of the confluence of Moose River is a fly-fishing-only water from May 15 thru August 15.
- 5) Waters from a department marker placed below the ferry crossing to a department marker placed 700 yards upstream on the Russian River, are closed to fishing from June 1 thru July 14.
- 6) From the confluence of the Russian River to a department marker 1800 yards downstream is a fly-fishing-only water from June 1 thru August 20. Red salmon may only be taken from June 1 thru August 20.
- 7) Kenai River from the Sterling Highway bridge at Soldotna downstream to a department marker located 100 yards downstream from the upper breakwater at the Centennial Park boat launch is closed to fishing from boats from May 15 until the river closes to king salmon fishing.
- 8) Kenai River from a marker at the north section line of Section 28, Township 5 North, Range 9 West, Seward Meridian, downstream to a department marker located 100 yards downstream from the landing at Morgan's Hole (river mile 31) is closed to fishing from boats from May 15 thru July 31.
- 9) Kenai River within a 100 yard radius of the mouth of Moose River is closed to fishing from boats from May 15 thru July 31.
- 10) No person, after taking a king salmon 16 inches or more in length from the Kenai River, may fish from a boat in the Kenai River for any species of fish on the same day.

KING SALMON 16 inches or more	OTHER SALMON 16 inches or more	RAINBOW/ STEELHEAD	SMALL SALMON/ OTHER SALMON
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3A	1B	11D	1E
Closed	1B	11D	1E
Closed	1B	11D	1E

### CODE KEY: KENAI PENINSULA AREA Use these codes to determine open season, catch and length limits.

CODE	OPEN SEASON	CODE	OPEN SEASON
1	Entire Year	6	June 1 through April 14
2	January 1 through June 30	7	June 15 through April 14
3	January 1 through July 31	8	July 1 through December 31
4	Memorial Day weekend and the following two weekends and the Monday following those weekends	9	August 1 through December 31
5	Memorial Day weekend and the following three weekends and the Monday following those weekends	10	September 16 through June 30
		11	June 15 through October 31
		12	July 1 through April 14

CODE	BAG, POSSESSION, AND SIZE LIMITS
A KING SALMON	16 inches or more, 1 per day, 1 in possession
B OTHER SALMON	16 inches or more, 3 per day, 3 in possession
C RAINBOW TROUT, STEELHEAD	5 per day, 5 in possession, only 1 over 20 inches
D RAINBOW TROUT, STEELHEAD	2 per day, 2 in possession, only 1 over 20 inches
E SMALL SALMON, OTHER FISH	
KING SALMON	Less than 16 inches, 10 per day, 10 in possession
OTHER SALMON	Less than 16 inches, 10 per day, 10 in possession
ARCTIC CHAR/ DOLLY VARDEN	5 per day, 5 in possession, no size limit
GRAYLING	10 per day, 10 in possession, no size limit
LAKE TROUT	20 inches or more, 2 per day, 2 in possession
	Less than 20 inches, 10 per day, 10 in possession
OTHER	No bag, possession or size limits



# KENAI PENINSULA AREA

## SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT

KING SALMON 16 inches or more	OTHER FISH 16 inches or more	RAINBOW/ STEELHEAD	SMALL SALMON/ OTHER SALMON
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### WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS

#### Moose River drainage, including the East Fork:

from the mouth to the northernmost edge of the Sterling Highway

upstream from the Sterling Highway bridge

All lakes and ponds

**Special Regulations:** 1) Moose River downstream from the Sterling Highway bridge to its confluence with the Kenai River is a fly-fishing-only water from May 15 thru August 15.

2) That portion of the Moose River designated fly-fishing-only is closed to fishing from boats from May 15 thru July 31.

3A	1B	7D	1E
Closed	7B	7C	7E
Closed	1B	1C	1E

#### Ninilchik River drainage:

downstream from a department marker placed two miles upstream from its mouth

remainder of drainage

**Special Regulations:** Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 16 thru Dec. 31.

4A	4,8B	4,8D	4,8E
Closed	Closed	8D	8E

#### Resurrection Bay drainages

All lakes and ponds, excluding Seward Lagoon

Seward Lagoon

Remainder of drainages

**Special Regulations:** In all flowing waters, only unbaited artificial lures may be used from Sept. 16 thru Dec. 31.

Closed	Closed	1C	1E
C L O S E D	T O	F I S H I N G	
Closed	Closed	1D	1E

#### Russian River drainage:

from its mouth upstream to department marker placed 600 yards downstream from the falls

from a department marker placed 600 yards downstream from the falls upstream to the outlet

of Lower Russian Lake

remainder of drainage

**Special Regulations:**

1) Red salmon may only be taken from June 1 thru August 20.

2) The Russian River from the mouth upstream to a department marker placed 600 yards downstream from the falls is a fly-fishing-only water from June 1 thru August 20.

3) The Kenai River from the confluence of the Russian River to a department marker 1800 yards downstream is a fly-fishing-only water from June 1 thru August 20.

4) From a department marker placed below the ferry crossing on the Kenai River to a department marker placed 700 yards upstream on the Russian River, is closed to fishing June 1 thru July 14.

5) \*Rainbow trout may not be possessed or retained; all rainbow trout caught must be released immediately.

6) In the Russian River drainage, including Upper and Lower Russian Lakes, only unbaited, single-hook, artificial lures may be used year round.

Closed	6B	*7	6E
Closed	Closed	*7	6E
Closed	Closed	7D	1E

#### Skilak Lake:

**Special Regulations:** Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from November 1 thru May 31.

Closed	1B	11D	1E
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#### Soldotna Creek drainage:

All lakes and ponds

remainder of drainage

**Special Regulations:** In all flowing waters, only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 16 thru Dec. 31.

Closed	1B	1C	1E
Closed	7B	7D	7E

#### Stariski Creek drainage:

upstream from Sterling Highway bridge

downstream from Sterling Highway bridge

**Special Regulations:** In all flowing waters, only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 16 thru Dec. 31.

Closed	Closed	8D	8E
Closed	8B	8D	8E

#### Swanson River drainage:

All lakes and ponds

remainder of drainage

Closed	1B	1C	1E
Closed	7B	7C	7E

#### Tustumena Lake

**Special Regulations:** \*Closed to red salmon fishing.

Closed	*1B	1C	1E
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#### Tustumena Lake tributaries

**Special Regulations:** 1) \*Closed to red salmon fishing.

2) Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 16 thru Dec. 31.

Closed	*1B	1D	1E
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## KENAI PENINSULA AREA

### SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT

#### WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS

##### Vagt Lake drainage

Vagt Lake

remainder of drainage

**Special Regulations:** In all flowing waters, only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from

Sept. 16 thru Dec. 31.

KING SALMON  
16 inches or more

OTHER FISH  
16 inches or more

RAINBOW/  
STEELHEAD

SMALL SALMON/  
OTHER SALMON

Closed

Closed

7C

7E

Closed

Closed

7D

7E

#### OTHER KENAI PENINSULA AREA REGULATIONS

**KING SALMON.** Each person who removes from the water a king salmon 16 inches or more in length, must retain that king salmon as part of that person's bag limit. No person may remove from the water a king salmon intended to be released.

**HARVEST RECORD REQUIRED.** (a) A nontransferable harvest record is required annually, and must be in the possession of each person sport fishing for:

- (1) king salmon 16 inches or more in length, in the Kenai Peninsula streams open to king salmon fishing;
- (2) rainbow/steelhead trout 20 inches or more in length in the waters of the Kenai Peninsula area which flow into Cook Inlet.
- (b) Immediately upon landing a king salmon or rainbow/steelhead trout from the waters referred to in (a) of this section, the angler must enter the information requested on the harvest record, in ink.
- (c) Nothing in this section affects or modifies any bag or possession limits provided by regulation in this chapter. The yearly limit for the combined Kenai Peninsula area, the Cook Inlet-Resurrection Bay Salt Water area, and the Susitna-West Cook Inlet area is:
  - (1) five king salmon, 16 inches or more in length, of which not more than two may be taken from that portion of the Kenai River drainage open to king salmon fishing;
  - (2) two rainbow/steelhead trout 20 inches or more in length when taken from the Kenai Peninsula drainages flowing into Cook Inlet, the Cook Inlet-Resurrection Bay Salt Water Area north of a line from Cape Douglas to Point Adam, and the Susitna-West Cook Inlet area.
- (d) For licensed anglers, the harvest record is printed on the angler's sport fishing license. For anglers not required to be licensed, harvest records may be obtained without charge from department offices or from Department of Revenue license agents.

**KENAI RIVER GUIDING REQUIREMENTS.** (a) Before guiding sport fishermen on the Kenai River, each guide and vessel must be registered at the department's Soldotna office by completing a form provided by the department. Once registered, vessel registration remains valid for the remainder of the calendar year. The following information must be provided at the time of registration:

- (1) name of the individual or company owning the guiding service;
- (2) permanent residence address and local residence address, including mailing address, of each owner or company;
- (3) name, residence address, and mailing address of each guide employed in the guiding service;
- (4) the permanent vessel license plate number (ADF&G number) for each vessel used in the guiding service;
- (5) a photostatic copy of the Alaska Business license of the company or individual owning the guiding service.
- (b) The department will issue an identification sticker for each vessel registered and a log book for each guide for recording catches. No person may guide or use a vessel in guiding without prior registration with the department.
- (c) The department identification sticker must be attached to a permanent part of the vessel and displayed adjacent to and in the same manner as the vessel license plate number (ADF&G number).
- (d) No guide may assist any client in any manner in an action that is contrary to Alaska sport fishing regulations currently in effect.
- (e) For the purpose of this section, "guiding" means assisting another person to take fish with the intent of receiving monetary or material remuneration for services, by accompanying and directing that person personally for the duration, or any portion, of a fishing trip, and not solely for the purpose of providing transportation services.
- (f) Catch information will not be released in the form of individual records by the department.
- (g) Downstream from the outlet of Skilak Lake, no person may fish from a registered guide vessel on any Sunday or Monday in July.
- (h) During June, sport fishing from a registered guide vessel is permitted only from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. During July, sport fishing from a registered guide vessel is permitted only from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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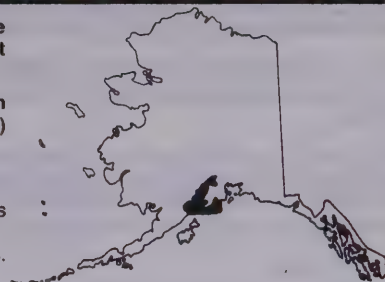
# COOK INLET — RESURRECTION BAY SALT WATER AREA

This is a summary of the official regulations codified in 5 AAC 58.001-050 which are available for inspection at libraries, department offices, and Department of Public Safety offices throughout the state.

The Cook Inlet — Resurrection Bay Salt Water area consists of waters of Alaska, excluding fresh water drainages, enclosed by a line extending south from Cape Puget (148°26'30" W. long.) and a line extending east from Cape Douglas (58°52' N. lat.).

## INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Find the water (alphabetically listed) that you intend to fish. If the water, or any portion of it, is not listed, the regulations in the shaded entry apply.
2. Use the Code Key to determine open season, catch, and length limits. Read Special Regulations.
3. An asterisk(\*) denotes Special Regulations apply.



## SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT

## WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS

All waters not listed below		SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT			
		KING SALMON	OTHER SALMON	HALIBUT	OTHER FISH
		1A	1B	2C	1D
Salt water within a one mile radius of the terminus of the following streams:	Anchor River	3A	1B	2C	1D
	Deep Creek	3A	1B	2C	1D
	Kenai River	1A	1B	2C	1D
	Ninilchik River	3A	1B	2C	1D
	Stariski Creek	3A	1B	2C	1D
Seward Small Boat Harbor and Lagoon west of a line from a department marker 200 yards south of the terminus of the Seward Lagoon to the east breakwater of the Seward Small Boat Harbor, including the Small Boat Harbor		1A	*1B	2C	1D

**Special Regulations:** \*Coho salmon fishing permitted only from January 1 through September 14.

## CODE KEY: COOK INLET SALT WATER AREA Use these codes to determine open season, catch and length limits.

CODE	OPEN SEASON	CODE	OPEN SEASON
1	Entire Year	3	July 1 through December 31
2	February 1 through December 31		
CODE	BAG, POSSESSION, AND SIZE LIMITS		
A	KING SALMON	2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit	
B	OTHER SALMON	6 per day, 6 in possession, no size limit	
C	HALIBUT	2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit	
D	OTHER FISH		
	RAINBOW TROUT/	20 inches or more, 1 per day, 1 in possession	
	STEELHEAD	Less than 20 inches, no bag or possession limits	
	ARCTIC CHAR/		
	DOLLY VARDEN	5 per day, 5 in possession, no size limit	
	ROCKFISH	10 per day, 10 in possession, no size limit	
	LING COD	2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit	
	OTHER	No bag, possession, or size limits	

## OTHER COOK INLET-RESURRECTION BAY SALT WATER AREA REGULATIONS

**METHODS AND MEANS:** (a) No person may snag or attempt to snag any species of fish in Cook Inlet north of a line extending west from Anchor Point. Fish hooked elsewhere than in the mouth must be released immediately. "Snag" means hook a fish elsewhere than in the mouth.

(b) No person may intentionally snag or attempt to snag any species of fish east of a line from Anchor Point to Point Pogibshi from January 1 through June 15. Fish hooked elsewhere than in the mouth must be released immediately. "Snag" means hook a fish elsewhere than in the mouth.

**KING SALMON:** Each person who removes from the water a king salmon 16 inches or more in length must retain that king salmon as part of that person's bag limit. No person may remove from the water a king salmon intended to be released.

**HARVEST RECORD REQUIRED.** (a) A nontransferable harvest record is required annually and must be in the possession of each person sport fishing in the waters of the Cook Inlet-Resurrection Bay Salt Water area north of a line from Cape Douglas to Point Adam for:

- (1) king salmon 16 inches or more in length;
- (2) rainbow/steelhead trout 20 inches or more in length.

(b) Immediately upon landing a king salmon or rainbow/steelhead trout from the waters referred to in (a) of this section the angler must enter the information requested on the harvest record in ink.

(c) Nothing in this section affects or modifies any bag or possession limits provided by regulation in this chapter. The yearly limit for the combined Kenai Peninsula area, the Cook Inlet-Resurrection Bay Salt Water area, and the Susitna-West Cook Inlet area is

- (1) five king salmon, 16 inches or more in length;

(2) two rainbow/steelhead trout 20 inches or more in length, when taken from the Kenai Peninsula drainages flowing into Cook Inlet and the Cook Inlet-Resurrection Bay Salt Water Area north of a line from Cape Douglas to Point Adam, and the Susitna-West Cook Inlet area.

(d) For licensed anglers, the harvest record is printed on the angler's sport fishing license. For anglers not required to be licensed, harvest records may be obtained without charge from department offices or from Department of Revenue license agents.



# SUSITNA—WEST COOK INLET AREA (including ANCHORAGE)

This is a summary of the official regulations codified in 5 AAC 61.001-050 which are available for inspection at libraries, department offices, and Department of Public Safety offices throughout the state.

The Susitna-West Cook Inlet area consists of all fresh water drainages which flow into Cook Inlet, Kamishak Bay and contiguous bays north of the latitude of Cape Douglas (58°52' N. lat.), excluding the waters of the Kenai Peninsula area, and excluding the upper Susitna River drainage upstream of the confluence of the Oshetna River.

## INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Find the water (alphabetically listed) that you intend to fish. If the water, or any portion of it, is not listed, the regulations in the shaded entry apply.
2. Use the Code Key to determine open season, catch, and length limits. Read Special Regulations.
3. An asterisk(\*) denotes Special Regulations apply.



## SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT

## WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS

	KING SALMON 16 inches or more	OTHER SALMON 16 inches or more	RAINBOW/ STEELHEAD	SMALL SALMON OTHER FISH
<b>All flowing waters</b> not listed below <b>Special Regulations:</b> Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31.	Closed	1C	1E	1G
<b>All lakes</b> not listed below	Closed	1C	1D	1G
<b>Anchorage</b> All waters inside the zone bounded by the Eklutna River drainage on the north, Knik Arm on the west, Turnagain Arm to and including Ingram Creek on the south, and the Chugach Mountains on the east, including the Eklutna River drainage and Ingram Creek <b>Special Regulations:</b> See also, Eagle River and Indian, Ship, Campbell, Bird, Potter, Williwaw, Rabbit, and Peters creeks, which are specified elsewhere in this listing.	Closed	1C	1D	1G
<b>Palmer/Wasilla</b> All flowing waters inside a zone bounded by Willow Creek on the north, Susitna River on the west, Cook Inlet and Knik Arm on the south, and Matanuska River and Moose Creek on the east, excluding Willow Creek, Susitna River, Matanuska River and Moose Creek <b>Special Regulations:</b> See also Little Susitna, Susitna-eastside below the Deshka, Johnson Lake, Cottonwood Creek drainage, Fish, Deception, Wasilla and Meadow creeks, which are specified elsewhere in this listing.	Closed	6C	6D	6G
<b>West Cook Inlet</b> All waters draining into Cook Inlet between the Susitna River and Cape Douglas, excluding the Susitna River: All flowing waters All lakes <b>Special Regulations:</b> 1. The possession limit for salmon 16 inches or more in length, other than king salmon is 6 fish. 2. In all flowing waters, only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 through Dec. 31. 3. See also Lone and Three-Mile Creeks and McNeil River which are specified elsewhere in this listing.	13B 13B	1C 1C	1E 1D	1G 1G
<b>Birch Creek</b> (Birch Creek Slough) upstream from a department marker placed ¼ mile upstream from its confluence with the Susitna River All waters within a ¼ mile radius of the stream's confluence with the Susitna River <b>Special Regulations:</b> Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31.	Closed 4A	Closed 4,8C	1E 4,8E	1G 4,8G
<b>Bird Creek:</b> upstream from a point ¼ mile upstream from the Seward Highway bridge downstream from a point ¼ mile upstream from the Seward Highway bridge	Closed Closed	Closed 1C	1D 1D	1G 1G
<b>Bodenburg Creek</b> (Old Glenn Highway near Palmer) including waters of Knik River within a 100 yard radius of the mouth of Bodenburg Creek <b>Special Regulations:</b> Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31.	Closed	Closed	1E	1G
<b>Bonnie Lakes</b> connecting stream, from the outlet at Upper Bonnie Lake to the inlet of Lower Bonnie Lake	Closed	7C	7D	7G
<b>Byers Creek</b> drainage: Byers Creek and its tributaries upstream from the Parks Highway Byers Lake <b>Special Regulations:</b> In all flowing waters, only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31.	Closed Closed	Closed Closed	1E 1D	1G 1G



# SUSITNA—WEST COOK INLET AREA (including ANCHORAGE)

## SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT

### WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS

	KING SALMON 16 inches or more	OTHER SALMON 16 inches or more	RAINBOW/ STEELHEAD	SMALL SALMON OTHER FISH
<b>Campbell Creek</b> (Anchorage) upstream of the forks at Piper Street downstream of forks <b>Special Regulations:</b> 1. Upstream of forks, only unbaited, single-hook artificial lures may be used. 2. *Upstream of forks, rainbow trout may not be possessed or retained; all rainbow trout must be released immediately.	Closed Closed	Closed Closed	*1 1D	1G 1G
<b>Caswell Creek</b> from the mouth upstream to the Parks Highway and all waters within a ¼ mile radius of Caswell Creek's confluence with the Susitna River <b>Special Regulations:</b> Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31.	4A	4,8C	4,8E	4,8G
<b>Clarence Lake</b> <b>Special Regulations:</b> *Only two grayling daily and in possession.	Closed	1C	1D	*1G
<b>Cottonwood Creek</b> drainage: downstream from a department marker placed at a wooden bridge one mile upstream from the Palmer Hayflats State Game Refuge access road All flowing waters upstream from a department marker placed at a wooden bridge one mile upstream from the Palmer Hayflats State Game Refuge access road All lakes	Closed Closed Closed	3C Closed Closed	3D 6D 1D	3G 5G 1G
<b>Deception Creek</b> (near Willow)	Closed	Closed	6D	6G

**CODE KEY: SUSITNA—WEST COOK INLET AREA Use these codes to determine open season, catch and length limits.**

CODE	OPEN SEASON	CODE	OPEN SEASON
1	Entire Year	6	June 15 through April 14
2	January 1 through July 6	7	July 1 through April 14
3	June 15 through April 14 on Saturdays and Sundays only	8	July 14 through May 31
4	Saturdays, Sundays, and Mondays only for four consecutive weeks commencing on the second Saturday in June	9	August 15 through June 30
5	Weekends only from the second Saturday in August through the last Sunday in December	10	August 1 through December 31
		11	August 1 through June 30
		12	August 15 through May 31
		13	January 1 through July 13
		14	Tuesdays and Wednesdays only, for five consecutive weeks commencing on the second Tuesday in June
		15	September 16 through June 30

CODE	BAG, POSSESSION, AND SIZE LIMITS
A KING SALMON	16 inches or more: 1 per day, 2 in possession
B KING SALMON	16 inches or more: 2 per day, 4 in possession, only 1 per day and 2 in possession over 28 inches
C OTHER SALMON	16 inches or more: 3 per day, 3 in possession
D RAINBOW TROUT, STEELHEAD	5 per day, 5 in possession, only 1 over 20 inches
E RAINBOW TROUT, STEELHEAD	2 per day and in possession, only 1 per day and in possession over 20 inches
F RAINBOW TROUT, STEELHEAD	20 inches or more: 1 per day, 1 in possession
G SMALL SALMON, OTHER FISH:	
KING SALMON	Less than 16 inches, 10 per day, 10 in possession
OTHER SALMON	Less than 16 inches, 10 per day, 10 in possession
ARCTIC CHAR/	
DOLLY VARDEN	10 per day, 10 in possession, no size limit
GRAYLING	10 per day, 10 in possession, no size limit
LAKE TROUT	20 inches or more, 2 per day, 2 in possession
	Less than 20 inches, 10 per day, 10 in possession
OTHER	No bag, possession or size limit



# SUSITNA—WEST COOK INLET AREA (including ANCHORAGE)

WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS	SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT			
	KING SALMON 16 inches or more	OTHER SALMON 16 inches or more	RAINBOW/ STEELHEAD	SMALL SALMON OTHER FISH
<b>Deshka River drainage:</b> Deshka River and its tributary streams from its confluence with the Susitna River upstream to the forks (confluence of Moose and Kroto creeks) Moose and Kroto creeks above the forks <b>Special Regulations:</b> 1. The possession limit for salmon 16 inches or more in length, other than king salmon, is 6 fish. 2. In all flowing waters, only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31.	13B Closed	1C 1C	1E 1E	1G 1G
<b>Eagle River drainage:</b> upstream from the Glenn Highway downstream from the Glenn Highway South Fork from the falls to its confluence with Eagle River and within a 300 foot radius of its confluence with Eagle River remainder of South Fork	Closed Closed	Closed 1C	1D 1D	1G 1G
<b>Fish Creek drainage (near Wasilla):</b> downstream from the Knik-Goose Bay Road All flowing waters upstream from the Knik-Goose Bay Road All lakes	Closed Closed Closed	5C Closed Closed	5D 6D 1D	5G 6G 1G
<b>Goose Creek</b> downstream from the Parks Highway and waters within a ¼ mile radius of Goose Creek's confluence with the Susitna River <b>Special Regulations:</b> Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31.	4A	4,8C	4,8E	4,8G
<b>Indian Creek (near Anchorage)</b>	Closed	9C	9D	9G
<b>Johnson Lake (near Palmer)</b>	C L O S E D T O F I S H I N G			
<b>Kashwitna River</b> and all waters within a ¼ mile radius of its confluence with the Susitna River <b>Special Regulations:</b> Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31.	Closed	1C	1E	1G
<b>Knik River</b> within a 100-yard radius of the mouth of Bodenbug Creek <b>Special Regulations:</b> Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31.	Closed	Closed	1E	1G
<b>Lake Creek drainage</b> All flowing waters All lakes <b>Special Regulations:</b> 1. The possession limit for salmon, 16 inches or more in length, other than king salmon, is 6 fish. 2. Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31. 3. *Only 5 lake trout per day and in possession, only 1 per day and in possession over 20 inches. Only 5 grayling per day and in possession.	13B 13B	1C 1C	1E 1D	*1G *1G
<b>Little Susitna River:</b> from its mouth upstream to the Parks Highway bridge at Houston upstream from the Parks Highway bridge at Houston	2A Closed	1C Closed	1D 6D	1G 6G
<b>Little Willow Creek</b> downstream from the Parks Highway and waters within a ¼ mile radius of Little Willow Creek's confluence with the Susitna River <b>Special Regulations:</b> Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31.	4A	4,8C	4,8E	4,8G
<b>Lone Creek,</b> from its confluence with the Chuitna River to a point ¼ mile upstream <b>Special Regulations:</b> 1. The possession limit for salmon 16 inches or more in length, other than king salmon, is 6 fish. 2. Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31.	13B	1C	6E	1G
<b>Matanuska River</b> <b>Special Regulations:</b> Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31.	Closed	1C	1E	1G
<b>McNeil River,</b> within ½ mile of McNeil River Falls located approximately one mile upstream from McNeil Lagoon	C L O S E D T O F I S H I N G			
<b>Meadow Creek drainage (near Wasilla)</b> All flowing waters All lakes	Closed Closed	Closed Closed	6D 1D	6G 1G

# SUSITNA—WEST COOK INLET AREA (including ANCHORAGE)

WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS	SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT			
	KING SALMON 16 inches or more	OTHER SALMON 16 inches or more	RAINBOW/ STEELHEAD	SMALL SALMON/ OTHER SALMON
<b>Montana Creek:</b> from its mouth upstream to the Parks Highway and all waters within ¼ mile radius of Montana Creek's confluence with the Susitna River upstream from a department marker placed one mile upstream from the Alaska Railroad Bridge <b>Special Regulations:</b> Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31.	4A Closed	4,8C Closed	4,8E 1E	4,8G 1G
<b>Moose Creek</b> (near Palmer) <b>Special Regulations:</b> Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31.	Closed	1C	1E	1G
<b>Peters Creek</b> drainage (near Anchorage) upstream of the Glenn Highway downstream of the Glenn Highway	Closed Closed	Closed 1C	1D 1D	1G 1G
<b>Potter Creek</b>	C L O S E D T O F I S H I N G			
<b>Rabbit Creek</b> (Potter Marsh): downstream from Old Seward Highway upstream from Old Seward Highway	C L O S E D Closed	C L O S E D Closed	T O F I S H I N G 1D	G 1G
<b>Sheep Creek</b> downstream from the Parks Highway and all waters within a ¼ mile radius of Sheep Creek's confluence with the Susitna River <b>Special Regulations:</b> Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31.	4A	4,8C	4,8E	4,8G
<b>Ship Creek</b> (near Anchorage): upstream from a point 100 feet below the Chugach power plant dam downstream from a point 100 feet below the Chugach power plant dam	Closed 14A	Closed 14,10C	10D 14,10D	10G 14, 10G
<b>Sunshine Creek</b> , all waters within a ¼ mile radius of its confluence with the Susitna River <b>Special Regulations:</b> Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31.	4A	4,8C	4,8E	4,8G
<b>Susitna River</b> drainage All waters draining into the west side of the Susitna River downstream of and including the Deshka River: All flowing waters All lakes <b>Special Regulations:</b> 1. The possession limit for salmon 16 inches or more in length, other than king salmon, is 6 fish. 2. In all flowing waters, only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31. 3. See also Deshka and Talachulitna rivers and Lake Creek which are specified elsewhere in this listing.	13B 13B	1C 1C	1E 1D	1G 1G
<b>Susitna River</b> drainage All flowing waters draining into the east side of the Susitna River downstream of the Deshka River	13B	1C	1D	1G
<b>Susitna River</b> drainage Susitna River upstream from its confluence with the Deshka River to its confluence with the Talkeetna River and including all waters within ¼ mile of the Susitna River except as specified below All waters within a ¼ mile radius of the mouths of Caswell, Montana, Willow, Goose, Little Willow, Sheep, Birch, and Sunshine creeks <b>Special Regulations:</b> 1. In all flowing waters, only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31. 2. See also Willow, Little Willow, Caswell, Sheep, Goose, Montana, Sunshine, and Birch creeks and Kashwitna River.	4A 4A	1C 4,8C	1E 4,8E	1G 4,8G
<b>Susitna River</b> drainage upstream from its confluence with the Talkeetna River to Devil's Canyon, excluding the Chulitna River drainage <b>Special Regulations:</b> 1. Only unbaited, single-hook artificial lures may be used. 2. Rainbow trout less than 20 inches may not be possessed or retained; all rainbow trout less than 20 inches must be released immediately.	13A	1C	1F	1G
<b>Talachulitna River</b> drainage <b>Special Regulations:</b> 1. The possession limit for salmon 16 inches or more in length, other than king salmon, is 6 fish. 2. Only unbaited, single-hook artificial lures may be used. 3. *Rainbow trout may not be possessed or retained; all rainbow trout caught must be released immediately.	13B	1C	*1	1G



# **SUSITNA—WEST COOK INLET AREA (including ANCHORAGE)**

WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS	SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT			
	KING SALMON 16 inches or more	OTHER SALMON 16 inches or more	RAINBOW/ STEELHEAD	SMALL SALMON OTHER FISH
<b>Talkeetna River</b> drainage all flowing waters	13A	1C	1E	1G
All lakes	13A	1C	1D	1G
<b>Special Regulations:</b> 1. In all flowing waters, only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31. 2. That portion of Chunilna (Clear) Creek upstream of a department marker placed two miles upstream from its mouth, is closed to fishing for king salmon.				
<b>Three-Mile Creek</b> , within 300 feet upstream and 300 feet downstream from the Standard Oil Road	11B	11C	11E	11G
<b>Special Regulations:</b> Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31. 2. The possession limit for salmon 16 inches or more in length, other than king salmon, is 6 fish.				
<b>Wasilla Creek</b> (Rabbit Slough)				
upstream from the Alaska Railroad bridge	Closed	Closed	6D	6G
downstream from the Alaska Railroad bridge	Closed	3C	3D	3G
<b>Williwaw Creek</b>	Closed	Closed	15D	15G
<b>Willow Creek:</b>				
from its mouth upstream to the Parks Highway and all waters within a ¼ mile radius of Willow Creek's confluence with the Susitna River	4A	4,8C	4,8E	4,8G
upstream from the confluence of Deception Creek	Closed	Closed	1E	1G
<b>Special Regulations:</b> Only unbaited, artificial lures may be used from Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31.				
<b>Wolverine Lake</b> and outlet stream downstream to the confluence of Wolverine Creek	Closed	6C	6D	6G

## **OTHER SUSITNA-WEST COOK INLET AREA REGULATIONS**

**HARVEST RECORD REQUIRED.** (a) A nontransferable harvest record is required annually and must be in the possession of each person sport fishing for king salmon 16 inches or more in length in the Susitna-West Cook Inlet area streams open to king salmon fishing and rainbow trout/steelhead 20 inches or more in length.

(b) Immediately upon landing a king salmon or rainbow/steelhead trout from the waters referred to in (a) of this section the angler must enter the information requested on the harvest record in ink.

(c) Nothing in this section affects or modifies any bag or possession limits provided by regulation in this chapter. The yearly limit for the combined Kenai Peninsula area, the Cook Inlet-Resurrection Bay Salt Water area, and the Susitna-West Cook Inlet area is five king salmon, 16 inches or more in length and two rainbow/steelhead trout 20 inches or more in length.

(d) For licensed anglers, the harvest record is printed on the angler's sport fishing license. For anglers not required to be licensed, harvest records may be obtained without charge from department offices or from Department of Revenue license agents.

**KING SALMON.** Each person who removes from the water a king salmon 16 inches or more in length, must retain that king salmon as part of that person's bag limit. No person may remove from the water a king salmon intended to be released.

# KODIAK AREA

This is a summary of the official regulations codified in 5 AAC 64.001-050 which are available for inspection at libraries, department offices, and Department of Public Safety offices throughout the state.

The Kodiak area consists of all waters of Alaska circumjacent to the Kodiak and Afognak Island groups, and including all their drainages.

## INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Find the water (alphabetically listed) that you intend to fish. If the water, or any portion of it, is not listed, the regulations in the shaded entry apply.
2. Use the Code Key to determine open season, catch, and length limits. Read Special Regulations.
3. An asterisk(\*) denotes Special Regulations apply.



## SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT

### WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS

	KING SALMON	OTHER SALMON	RAINBOW/ STEELHEAD	HALIBUT	OTHER FISH
<b>All waters not listed below</b>	1A	1C	1D	2E	1F
<b>All rivers and streams</b>	1A	1C	3D		1F
<b>All streams on the Kodiak road system</b> upstream from the Highway(except Buskin River) from Monashka Creek to Chiniak Creek, inclusively		4C*	3D		1F
<b>Special Regulations:</b> *Only 2 coho salmon daily and 4 in possession, 20 inches or more.					
<b>All waters from Cape Chiniak to Narrow Cape:</b>					
salt water	1A	1C*	1D	2E	1F
streams	1A	1C*	3D		1F
lakes	1A	1C*	1D		1F
<b>Special Regulations:</b> *Only 2 coho salmon daily and 4 in possession, 20 inches or more.					
<b>Anton Larsen Bay:</b>					
salt water	1A	1C*	1D	2E	1F
streams	1A	1C*	3D		1F
<b>Special Regulations:</b> *Only 2 coho salmon daily and 4 in possession, 20 inches or more.					
<b>Buskin River</b> and its tributaries:					
upstream from Bridge No.1		4C*	Closed		1F
downstream from Bridge No. 1		1C*	Closed		1F
<b>Special Regulations:</b> *Only 2 coho salmon daily and 4 in possession, 20 inches or more.					
<b>Chiniak Bay:</b>					
salt water, enclosed by a line from Spruce Cape to Cape Chiniak	1A	1C*	1D	2E	1F
all streams downstream from the highway	1A	1C*	3D		1F
<b>Special Regulations:</b> *Only 2 coho salmon daily and 4 in possession, 20 inches or more.					

**CODE KEY: KODIAK AREA Use these codes to determine open season, catch and length limits.**

CODE	OPEN SEASON	CODE	OPEN SEASON
1	Entire Year	3	June 15 through March 31
2	February 1 through December 31	4	September 11 through July 31
		5	October 1 through August 14

CODE	BAG, POSSESSION, AND SIZE LIMITS
A KING SALMON	20 inches or more: 3 per day, 3 in possession Less than 20 inches, 10 per day, 20 in possession
B KING SALMON	20 inches or more: 1 per day, 1 in possession Less than 20 inches: 10 per day, 20 in possession
C OTHER SALMON	20 inches or more: 6 per day, 12 in possession Less than 20 inches: 10 per day, 20 in possession
D RAINBOW TROUT, STEELHEAD	20 inches or more: 3 per day, 6 in possession Less than 20 inches: 10 per day, 20 in possession
E HALIBUT	2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit
F OTHER FISH CHAR/DOLLY VARDEN GRAYLING OTHER	10 per day, 20 in possession, no size limit 10 per day, 20 in possession, no size limit No bag, possession or size limits



## KODIAK AREA

### SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT

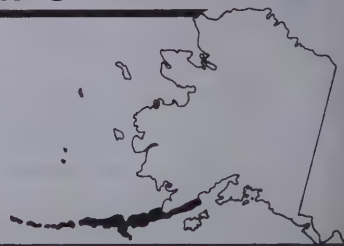
#### WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS

	KING SALMON	OTHER SALMON	RAINBOW/ STEELHEAD	HALIBUT	OTHER FISH
<b>Dog Salmon River</b>	Closed	1C	3D		1F
<b>Frazer Lake</b>	Closed	1C	1D		1F
<b>Island Lake</b> inlets and outlet stream	Closed	Closed	3D		1F
<b>Little Kitoi Creek</b>		5C			1F
<b>Little Kitoi Lake</b>		5C			1F
<b>Little Kitoi Bay</b> within 500 yards of the mouth of Little Kitoi Creek	5A	5C	1D	2E	1F
<b>Mill Bay</b>	1A	1C*	1D	2E	1F
<b>Special Regulations:</b> *Only 2 coho salmon daily and 4 in possession, 20 inches or more.					
<b>Monashka Bay:</b>					
salt water	1A	1C*	1D	2E	1F
Monashka Creek downstream from the highway, and other streams draining into Monashka Bay		1C*	3D		1F
<b>Special Regulations:</b> *Only 2 coho salmon daily and 4 in possession, 20 inches or more.					
<b>Pasagshak Bay:</b>					
salt water	1B	1C*	1D	2E	1F
streams	1B	1C*	3D		1F
<b>Special Regulations:</b> *Only 2 coho salmon daily and 4 in possession, 20 inches or more.					
<b>Pasagshak River</b>	1B	1C*	3D		1F
<b>Special Regulations:</b> *Only 2 coho salmon daily and 4 in possession, 20 inches or more.					
<b>Pillar Creek</b>	Closed	Closed	3D		1F
<b>Rose Tead Lake</b>	1B	1C*	1D		1F
<b>Special Regulations:</b> *Only 2 coho salmon daily and 4 in possession, 20 inches or more.					
<b>Saltery Cove:</b>					
salt water	1A	1C*	1D	2E	1F
streams	1A	1C*	3D		1F
<b>Special Regulations:</b> *Only 2 coho salmon daily and 4 in possession, 20 inches or more.					
<b>Saltery Lake</b>	1A	1C*	1D		1F
<b>Special Regulations:</b> *Only 2 coho salmon daily and 4 in possession, 20 inches or more.					

## ALASKA PENINSULA AND ALEUTIAN ISLANDS AREA

This is a summary of the official regulations codified in 5 AAC 65.001-020 which are available for inspection at libraries, department offices, and Department of Public Safety offices throughout the state.

The Alaska Peninsula and Aleutian Islands area consists of all waters of Alaska on the south side of the Alaska Peninsula including Pacific Ocean drainages west of the longitude of Cape Douglas (excluding the Kodiak area), and waters including Bering Sea drainages on the north side of the Alaska Peninsula south of the latitude of Cape Menchikof, and all waters of Alaska circumjacent to the Aleutian Islands.



SPECIES	OPEN SEASON	BAG, POSSESSION, AND SIZE LIMITS
KING SALMON	Entire Year	5 per day, 5 in possession, only 2 over 28 inches
OTHER SALMON	Entire Year	5 per day, 5 in possession, no size limit
HALIBUT	February 1 through December 31	2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit
OTHER FISH		
RAINBOW TROUT	Entire Year	5 per day, 5 in possession, only 1 over 20 inches
GRAYLING	Entire Year	5 per day, 5 in possession, no size limit
ARCTIC CHAR/		
DOLLY VARDEN	Entire Year	10 per day, 10 in possession, no size limit
OTHER	Entire Year	No bag, possession or size limit

**WATERS CLOSED TO SPORT FISHING.** Illiuliuk (also known as Town and Unalaska) Creek is closed to fishing from its mouth to the outlet of Unalaska Lake from June 15 through July 20.

# BRISTOL BAY AREA

This is a summary of the official regulations codified in 5 AAC 67.001-055 which are available for inspection at libraries, department offices, and Department of Public Safety offices throughout the state.

The Bristol Bay area consists of all waters of Alaska, including drainages, enclosed by a line from Cape Newenham to Cape Menchikof.

## INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Find the water (alphabetically listed) that you intend to fish. If the water, or any portion of it, is not listed, the regulations in the shaded entry apply.
2. Use the Code Key to determine open season, catch, and length limits. Read Special Regulations.
3. An asterisk(\*) denotes Special Regulations apply.



## SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT

## WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS

	KING SALMON	OTHER SALMON	RAINBOW TROUT	HALIBUT	OTHER FISH
<b>All waters</b> not listed below	1A	1B	4D,6C	2F	1G
<b>Agulapak River</b> upstream from an island located two miles downstream from the outlet of Beverley Lake.		1B	1*		1G
<b>Special Regulations:</b> *Rainbow trout may not be possessed or retained; all rainbow trout caught must be released immediately.					
<b>Brooks River</b>		3B	4D,5C		3G
<b>Copper River</b>		3B	4E,5C		3G
<b>Special Regulations:</b> In the Copper River downstream from Lower Copper Lake, excluding all tributary streams into the Copper River, only single-hook artificial flies may be used from June 8 through October 31. The use of helicopters for transporting sport fishermen and sport-caught fish is prohibited.					
<b>Gibraltar River</b> and tributaries		3B	4E,5C		3G
<b>Special Regulations:</b> The use of helicopters for transporting sport fishermen and sport-caught fish is prohibited. Only single-hook artificial flies may be used from June 8 through October 31 upstream from Little Gibraltar Creek and waters of Gibraltar Lake within a ½ mile radius of Gibraltar River, and all tributaries to Gibraltar Lake.					
<b>King Salmon Creek</b> upstream from a department marker located 3 miles upstream from its confluence with the Naknek River.	Closed	1B	4D,6C		1G
<b>Kvichak River</b> and its tributaries, and all drainages flowing into Lake Iliamna and Six-Mile Lake, excluding Lake Clark and its tributaries above Six-Mile Lake, and including only those waters of Lake Iliamna within a ½ mile radius of the Kvichak River's outlet from Lake Iliamna	3A	3B	4E,5C		3G
<b>Special Regulations:</b> This water is designated the Bristol Bay Wild Trout Zone. Only unbaited, single-hook artificial lures may be used in all streams and within a ½ mile radius extending into lakes from June 8 through October 31; the use of helicopters for transporting sport fishermen and sport-caught fish is prohibited.					
<b>Lower Talarik Creek</b>		3B	4E,5C		3G
<b>Special Regulations:</b> Only single-hook artificial flies may be used from June 8 through October 31. The use of helicopters for transporting sport fishermen and sport-caught fish is prohibited.					
<b>Naknek River:</b> between department markers placed ½ mile east of Rapids Camp to department markers placed east of Trefon's cabin remainder of drainage	3A 1A	3B 1B	4D,5C 4D,6C		3G 1G
<b>Special Regulations:</b> Fish eggs may not be used as bait in the Naknek River upstream from a department marker located at the old Katmai National Monument boundary.					
<b>Jgashik River</b> drainage	1A	1B			1G*
<b>Special Regulations:</b> *Only 2 grayling daily and in possession.					



## BRISTOL BAY AREA

**CODE KEY: BRISTOL BAY AREA** Use these codes to determine open season, catch and length limits.

CODE	OPEN SEASON	CODE	OPEN SEASON
1	Entire Year	4	June 8 through October 31
2	February 1 through December 31	5	November 1 through April 9
3	June 8 through April 9	6	November 1 through June 7

CODE	BAG, POSSESSION, AND SIZE LIMITS
A	KING SALMON 5 per day, 5 in possession, only 2 over 28 inches
B	OTHER SALMON 5 per day, 5 in possession, no size limit
C	RAINBOW TROUT 5 per day, 5 in possession, only 1 over 20 inches
D	RAINBOW TROUT 2 per day, 2 in possession, only 1 over 20 inches
E	RAINBOW TROUT 1 per day, 1 in possession, no size limit
F	HALIBUT 2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit
G	OTHER FISH CHAR 10 per day, 10 in possession, no size limit GRAYLING 5 per day, 5 in possession, no size limit OTHER No bag, possession or size limit

**NOTICE:** Notwithstanding the bag and possession limits set out above, the total aggregate bag and possession limit may not exceed 10 fish per person.

## ARCTIC—YUKON—KUSKOKWIM AREA

This is a summary of the official regulations codified in 5 AAC 70.001-050 which are available for inspection at libraries, department offices, and Department of Public Safety offices throughout the state.

The Arctic—Yukon—Kuskokwim area consists of all waters of Alaska, including the Bering Sea, Chukchi Sea, and Arctic Ocean drainages, north of a line extending west from Cape Newenham, and west of the International Boundary near Demarcation Point.

### INSTRUCTIONS:

- Find the water (alphabetically listed) that you intend to fish. If the water, or any portion of it, is not listed, the regulations in the shaded entry apply.
- Use the Code Key to determine open season, catch, and length limits. Read Special Regulations.
- An asterisk(\*) denotes Special Regulations apply.



### SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT

### WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS

	SALMON	RAINBOW TROUT/ GRAYLING/CHAR	SHEEFISH	PIKE	HALIBUT	OTHER
	A, B	F, H	L	O	P	R
<b>All waters</b> not listed below						
<b>All waters</b> between Paxson and Cantwell: (see also page 11) south of the Denali Highway, and the Summit and Paxson Lake drainages north of the Denali Highway and south of the Tanana River, excluding Summit and Paxson Lake drainages <b>Special Regulations:</b> *Only 15 burbot daily and in possession.		I, K, Q G, I, J, Q				R* R
<b>Beaufort Sea</b> drainages between Point Barrow and Demarcation Point	E	E	L	O		R
<b>Chena River</b> drainage: upstream from a department marker 300 feet downstream from the Chena River flood control structure remainder of drainage <b>Special Regulations:</b> See Tanana River drainage Special Regulations.	Closed C, D	J J	M M	N N		R R
<b>Fielding Lake</b> <b>Special Regulations:</b> *Burbot may be taken by set line from October 15 through May 15.		I, J				R*
<b>Goodpaster River</b> drainage <b>Special Regulations:</b> See Tanana River drainage Special Regulations.	Closed	J	M	N		R
<b>Nome River</b> <b>Special Regulations:</b> *For salmon other than king salmon, the bag and possession limit is 15, only 5 of which may be chum and coho salmon, in combination.	A, B*	F				R



# ARCTIC-YUKON-KUSKOKWIM AREA

## SEASON AND CATCH LIMIT

### WATER AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS

#### Salcha River:

downstream from the confluence with Redmond Creek  
upstream from the confluence with Redmond Creek

**Special Regulations:** Fishing from the Richardson Highway bridge over the Salcha River is prohibited. See Tanana River drainage Special Regulations.

**Salmon Lake** (Seward Peninsula), its tributaries, and the outlet stream 300 feet downstream from the lake outlet

#### Snake River (near Nome)

**Special Regulations:** \*For salmon other than king salmon the bag and possession limit is 15, only 5 of which may be chum and coho salmon, in combination.

**Tanana River drainage:** (excluding the waters between Paxson and Cantwell south of the Denali Highway which are specified elsewhere in this list)

**Special Regulations:** Spears may be used to take pike from October 1 through May 31 and to take burbot from September 1 through December 31. Spears and bow and arrow may be used to take whitefish from September 1 through March 31. All ice houses must be registered and a permit secured from the department. Each house must have permit numbers displayed on its side and roof in distinguishable numbers not less than 12 inches in height.

**Trans-Alaska Pipeline** (a corridor 5 miles wide on each side of the alignment):

Yukon River to Brooks Range Divide  
Brooks Range Divide to Prudhoe Bay

**Special Regulations:** \*Closed to salmon fishing.

### OTHER ARCTIC—YUKON—KUSKOKWIM AREA REGULATIONS

**METHODS AND MEANS.** In all lakes, multiple hooks with gap between point and shank greater than one-half inch may be used for taking fish other than salmon. Burbot, pike and whitefish may be taken by underwater spear in all lakes by persons completely submerged.

**CODE KEY: ARCTIC-YUKON-KUSKOKWIM AREA Use these codes to determine open season, catch and length limits.**

CODE	OPEN SEASON	BAG, POSSESSION, AND SIZE LIMITS
A KING SALMON	Entire Year	5 per day, 5 in possession, no size limit
B OTHER SALMON	Entire Year	10 per day, 10 in possession, no size limit
C KING SALMON	Entire Year	1 per day, 1 in possession, no size limit
D OTHER SALMON		
16 inches or more	Entire Year	3 per day, 3 in possession
less than 16 inches	Entire Year	10 per day, 10 in possession
E SALMON, CHAR, GRAYLING	Entire Year	10 per day in any combination, 10 in possession only 2 over 20 inches
F GRAYLING & CHAR	Entire Year	15 per day in combination, 30 in possession, only 3 per day and 6 in possession over 20 inches
G RAINBOW TROUT	Entire Year	20 inches or more, 2 per day, 2 in possession Less than 20 inches, 10 per day, 10 in possession
H RAINBOW TROUT	Entire Year	2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit
I LAKE TROUT	Entire Year	20 inches or more, 2 per day, 2 in possession Less than 20 inches, 10 per day, 10 in possession
J GRAYLING	Entire Year	5 per day, 10 in possession, no size limit
K GRAYLING	Entire Year	10 per day, 10 in possession, no size limit
L SHEEFISH	Entire Year	10 per day, no possession limit, no size limit
M SHEEFISH	Entire Year	2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit
N NORTHERN PIKE	Entire Year	30 inches or more, 2 per day, 2 in possession Less than 30 inches, 10 per day, 10 in possession
O NORTHERN PIKE	Entire Year	No bag, possession or size limit
P HALIBUT	February 1 - December 31	2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit
Q ARCTIC CHAR	Entire Year	10 per day, 10 in possession, no size limit
R OTHER FISH	Entire Year	No bag, possession or size limit

**NOTE:** Unless indicated more specifically, char means all char including Dolly Varden, Arctic char and lake trout.



## HOW TO PROPOSE CHANGES TO THE REGULATIONS IN THIS BOOKLET

The Board of Fisheries has adopted a policy of soliciting proposals for only specific sections of the regulations. About three and a half before the Board meets, a news release is published soliciting proposals for those specific sections of the regulations which are open to change, and establishing a 30- to 60-day deadline for submission of proposals.

### SUGGESTIONS FOR PREPARATIONS AND SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS TO THE BOARDS.

1. Use the proposal forms provided by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game.
2. Make sure that the proposal is mailed in time to reach Juneau by the announced deadline.
3. Have a local Alaska Department of Fish and Game employee review your idea. While he may or may not agree with your proposal, he can help you word it properly and address the correct section of the regulations.
4. Check out your proposal with a local Fish and Game Advisory Committee. Advisory Committees, composed of people well informed on the fish and game resources of their locality, serve as a local clear-

inghouse for the collection and expression of opinions and recommendations in the management of fish and game. Naturally, any citizen may present his or her views of the Boards. However, because of their unique responsibilities local Advisory Committees are viewed by the statewide Boards as the most important conduit for information and recommendations from Alaskan citizens.

5. **ALWAYS** include some information on the proposal form in the space marked 'Justification.' Tell what you think the result of the change will be. Be brief but provide an outline of the major reasons which support your proposal.

6. Make your proposal **SPECIFIC**, and as a **CHANGE** from existing regulations. For example, don't suggest that 'fishing seasons should be shorter'; propose specific dates in specific locations for particular species.

7. Make sure you are proposing changes in **REGULATIONS**, not in statutes. The Board can change regulations, but it can't change laws established by the legislature. All license fees and licensing requirements are statutes enacted by the legislature. All methods and means, seasons and catch limits are regulations adopted by the Board.

## TROPHY FISH PROGRAM

Trophy fish awards are issued by the Department to give special recognition to anglers taking fish that meet minimum weight qualifications for each species.

1. **ENTRIES MUST MEET MINIMUM WEIGHT QUALIFICATIONS AND MUST BE WEIGHED ON A CURRENTLY CERTIFIED SCALE.** Weighing must be in the presence of witnesses and the official who signs the affidavit. At least one witness is mandatory.

2. Length measurements must be a straight line measure, not following the curve of the fish, from the tip of the snout to the tip of the tail. Girth measurements are to be taken just in front of the dorsal fin.

3. The entrant must submit an original affidavit not later than December 31 of the year of catch to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, P. O. Box 3-2000, Juneau, Alaska, 99802. Affidavit forms are available at all Fish and Game offices. All correspondence concerning your entry should be directed to the above address. Please notify the Department of any address change to assure delivery of your certificate.

4. The Alaska Department of Fish and Game reserves the right to check fish identification or to refuse any questionable affidavits. Decisions of the Department of Fish and Game will be final. Certificates will be issued in the year following the December 31 closing date.

5. Fish must be hooked and played by only one person; assistance is permissible in landing or boating a fish.

6. Fish must be legally caught in compliance with all current Alaska Department of Fish and Game regulations. A fish caught from waters not open to the general public is not eligible.

7. A separate affidavit form must be completed in full for each entry. **INCOMPLETE FORMS MAY DISQUALIFY ENTRANTS.** A contestant's largest entry for the calendar year shall be the only entry of that species for which he may receive an award.

8. A CLEAR PHOTOGRAPH, SHOWING A CLOSE-UP SIDE VIEW OF THE FISH MUST ACCOMPANY EACH CONTESTANT'S ENTRY FORM. Fish must have a size reference object included in the picture. The photograph will not be returned. It becomes the property of the Department for use in reports of public information releases by the department.

9. The contestant must sign the affidavit in the presence of a Trophy Fish Official. Trophy Fish Officials have been designated at numerous locations throughout the state. For a listing of Trophy Fish Officials nearest you, contact your local Department office or write to the address specified in rule 3 above. Division of Sport fish biologists may also serve as Trophy Officials.

SPECIES	STATE RECORD		1986 ANNUAL RECORD		MINIMUM TROPHY AWARD WEIGHT
	LBS	OZ	LBS	OZ	
Burbot	38	15	14	12	8 lbs
Char/Dolly Varden	17	8	13	1	10 lbs
Chum Salmon (Dog)	32	0	None		15 lbs
Coho Salmon (Silver)	26		24	0	20 lbs
Cutthroat	8	6	4	8	3 lbs
Grayling	4	13	3	4	3 lbs
Halibut	450		356		200 lbs
King Salmon (Chinook)	97	4			
Cook Inlet			84	4	75 lbs
Remainder of State			76	8	50 lbs
Lake Trout	47		26	14	20 lbs
Northern Pike	38		24	9	15 lbs
Pink Salmon (Humpback)	12	9	9	13	9 lbs
Rainbow/Steelhead Trout	42	3	21	8	15 lbs
Red Salmon (Sockeye)	16		12	4	12 lbs
Sheefish	53		53	0	30 lbs
Whitefish	7	2	4	8	4 lbs
Ling Cod	57	8	57	8	40 lbs
Rockfish			None		22 lbs



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Kind of fish \_\_\_\_\_ Certified Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ lbs. \_\_\_\_\_ ozs.

Length \_\_\_\_\_ inches to nearest 1/8 inch. Girth \_\_\_\_\_ Caught in (Check one): Marine ☐ Fresh Water ☐

Date caught \_\_\_\_\_ Where caught \_\_\_\_\_  
(name of lake, stream, nearest town or city)

Contestant's name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_ Sport Fish License No. \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

We the undersigned witnessed the weighing and measuring of the fish described above, and verify the weight and measurements recorded:

Official's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Scale certification date \_\_\_\_\_

Official's address: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness 1. (signature/address) \_\_\_\_\_

Witness 2. (signature/address) \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby swear that the above is true, that in taking this fish I complied with all the rules of this contest, and that the witnesses hereto actually witnessed the weighing and measuring of this fish.

Contestant's signature \_\_\_\_\_

Certified by me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_\_

Mail this original affidavit and the photograph to:

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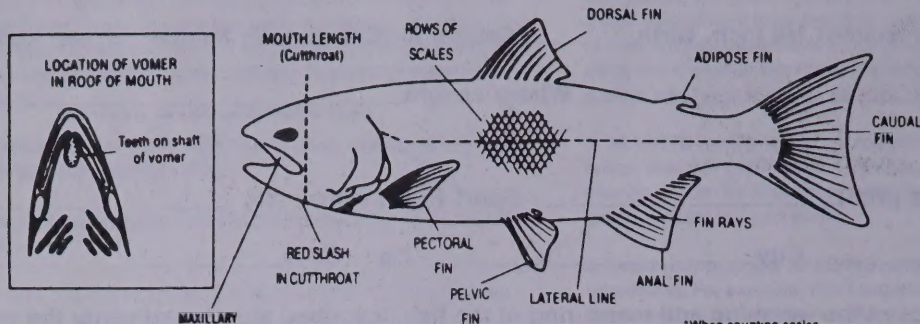
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## KEY TO THE TROUT, SALMON, CHAR, GRAYLING AND WHITEFISH



## VERMICULATIONS

The irregular worm-like markings on the back and dorsal fin of two of the chars

Vermiculations

Spots      Halos

## GILL RAKERS

The short projections on the inside of each gill arch



Red gill filaments

FISH WITH ADIPOSE FIN

START HERE

Large scales, less than 100°

WHITEFISH OR GRAYLING

Small scales, more than 100°

TROUT, CHAR AND SALMON

Dorsal fin, more than 17 rays      Dorsal fin, less than 17 rays

GRAYLING

WHITEFISH

Anal fin, 12 or less rays

TROUT AND CHAR

Anal fin, 13 or more rays

SALMON

Distinct black spots on back and caudal fin

CHINOOK, COHO, PINK

No distinct spots on back or caudal fin, fine speckling

CHUM, SOCKEYE (KOKANEE)

Black mouth

CHINOOK AND COHO

Mouth not black

PINK

Black gums, spots on both halves of tail Pyloric Caeca 140-185

CHINOOK

White gums, spots only on top half of tail Pyloric Caeca 45-60

COHO

Large black spots on back and tail

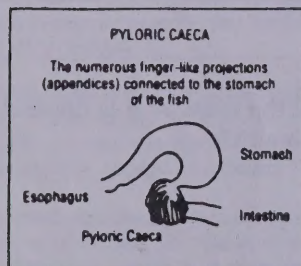
PINK

19-26 short stout gill rakers

CHUM

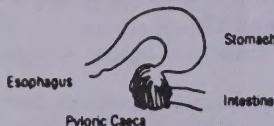
30-40 long slender gill rakers

SOCKEYE (Kokanee)



## PYLORIC CAECA

The numerous finger-like projections (appendices) connected to the stomach of the fish



Teeth on shaft of vomer; dark spots or speckling

TROUT

No teeth on shaft of vomer; spots grey, yellow, orange or red

CHAR

Mouth does not extend past back of eye; no teeth on back of tongue; no red slash under lower jaw

RAINBOW

Large black spots, many surrounded by halos

CUTTHROAT

BROWN

Dark vermiculations on back and dorsal fin

EASTERN BROOK

No vermiculations on dorsal fin

LAKE

DOLLY VARDEN

Large mouth extends past back of eye; teeth in throat at back of tongue; red slash

Reddish spots, blue halos, pinkish fins edged in white

Deeply forked tail, light spots